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# HON. EDWARD H. MORRIS RE-ELECTED

### George R. Garner's Recital at Olivet Baptist Church Attended by One Thousand Music Lovers

# MME. ANITA PATTI BROWN IN SUNDAY CONCERT

### The Chicago Defender has Enlarged its Sheet and Made Other Improvements—Miss Pearl Grandberry Opens Manicuring Parlor—Bethel A. M. E. Church Burns Mortgage—Hon. A. N. Fields Goes to Peoria—Mrs. Mary V. Waring Appointed as a Member of Commission—Golf Players in the City.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

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CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 22.—Hon Edward H. Morris and the party of delegates to the B. M. C. at Boston, Mass., last week returned to the city Saturday, headed by the Twelfth Regiment Band of Patriarchs. Mr. Morris, who is known among his friends as "Neighbor," was re-elected Grand Master of the Odd Fellows for two years and Mr. Jones of Mississippi was elected Deputy Grand Master. The session will be held next year at Washington, D. C. The delegates left here in a special train, remained at Boston a week, many going to Niagara Falls and several other places. They report having a great trip and were much pleased with Boston's hospitality. Among the more prominent men to go from Chicago were Col. Franklin A. Denison, commanding the Eighth Regiment I. N. G., who attended the National Guard Association; Adjt. Louis B. Anderson of the Eighth; Major R. R. Jackson of the First Battalion, I. N. G.; Hon. Edward H. Morris; Maj. Gen. Morris Lewis of Partiarchs, and a number of ladies who were delegates to the Household of Ruth. Mr. Buckhanan Lewis, who has been atending the B. M. C. for the past twelve years, was also with the delegates from Chicago. The train arrived in Chicago on Sunday night and the news of the session is being discussed up and down State street.

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### Patti Brown Recital.

The citizens of Chicago, and especially the music lovers. are applauding the idea of Madame Anita Patti Brown to give a monster recital at the Pekin Theater, Sunday, Oct. 11, at 3:30 p. m. She will be the first artist of this city to inaugurate a Sunday afternoon recital by a race woman. These affairs are every Sunday downtown at the leading theaters and auditoriums, but never have we had one on the Southside. Waves of enthusiasm and many encomiums are being heralded in honor of Mme. Brown, the race's greatest colorature artist, and from all indication it will be the greatest function every given in this city.

MADAME ANITA PATTI BROWN.
(Courtesy of the Chicago Defender.)

Madame Brown's popularity combined with her artistic ability and augmented with an array of Chicago's best and the visiting artists, Miss Amy Balasco of Trinidad, B. W. I.; Miss Alberta Booker, Little Rock; make it certain that there will be regrets that a more spacious place could not be secured for this, the best musical program of the season. The citizens of Evanston and towns surrounding Chicago are planning to attend in a body. No singer here or elsewhere has ever attracted the crowd as has Madame Brown because she displays culture, talent and ability in her work. The Freeman calls upon its readers to make no engagements for that afternoon. It will be the beginning of a Grand Opera among Afro-Americans in the "Windy City." We have the talent, let us give them support. It has been proven that what other races can do we can also. Remember the date, Sunday afternoon, Oct. 11, Pekin Theater, which has been newly renovated for the occasion.

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### Eight Pages and Eight Columns for The Defender.

The Chicago Defender took another leap in journalism last week when it added eight columns to its eight page paper. This makes it the largest weekly paper of the race. Not only this, but the editor has made arrangements to secure photographs from the "theater of war" in which African soldiers are taking part. Another feat was the taking of a photograph of the rear of the flat building from which a child fell from the fifth floor; the cut of the child who fell dead and the only eye witness appearing in the same cut. Mr. Abbott, speaking to The Freeman representative, said: "The make-up of the Defender, its ability to get the news and give a display of all the important things which happen, is causing the paper to become widely circulated." He produced a telegram from Mr. Louis Goodman of Birmingham, Ala., asking for 150 extra papers. He takes 150 weekly. Agents in other sections of the South are doing likewise. "Our two automobiles were packed with papers on Friday night furnishing the newsstands with papers in the city," said Mr. Abbott, "we are coming and that fast. All I ask is continued support and I will give them a paper the race will feel proud of." Mr. Abbott has surrounded himself with men who know journalism, technically, literally and mechanically.

The Freeman has no fear—read it—on sale at all newstands in—Chicago.

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### Editor Turner Speaks.

Editor S. B. Turner of the Illinois Idea delivered an address at the Progressive League, 3811 Wabash avenue, Sunday afternoon, and it was complimented by all present. Mr. Turner was recently nominated for the Illinois Legislature from the First District. Following the address the league appointed a public commission, whose duty it will be to co-operate with city departments of government in the interest of the race.

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### Hon. A. N. Fields Goes to Peoria.

Mr. A. N. Fields left this week for Peoria, Ill., to become the editor of the weekly race paper there. Mr. Fields needs no introduction as an editor and journalist. He was the founder and editor of the Illinois Chronicle; has written for the Illinois Idea and a number of other race papers. He pushes a trenchent pen, has a nose for news and his editorials are able, instructive and brim full of information. As a political writer he has but few equals. He should make good there and if the people give him their support, Peoria may be able to boast of a weekly paper, second to none in the country. As a warm and personal friend, we wish him success and if this comes the people of Peoria will be benefited. "Long live the Independent."

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### Mrs. Pearl Grandberry Opens Manicuring Parlor.

Mrs. Pearl Grandberry has opened a manicuring parlor at 3254 Wabash avenue at the home of Mrs. Evelyn Randolph. She received her instruction and training from Mrs. H. H. Boger of the Boger Beauty Parlor. Mrs. Grandberry had a splendid idea of the work before she went in training and it did not take her long to complete the course. The excellent experimental opportunities given her has rounded her out into a real first-class artisan. She solicits the patronage of friends and public. Her telephones are Auto 71-816, Douglass 5937. Engagements by appointment.

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### Time Ripe to Advertise the Exposition

There is no better time to let the people of the country know that there is going to be an exposition here next summer than now. In less than a year the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the emancipation slaves will be held here in Chicago. The Governor of the State has appointed a commission to hold an exposition and has appropriated $25,000 for the same. The commission, it is learned, under the guidance of Mr. T. Wallace Swann, has been making arrangements, but little publicity of a national character has been done. If the exposition is to be a success, its time to let the people know of the date, scope and character of this monumental enterprise. Other celebrations begin three years in advance to advertise; it is to be hoped that this one will not wait until the last moment.

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### "Rube" Foster Praised.

Mr. Andrew "Rube" Foster has returned to the city after a visit to Louisville and Indianapolis. The "Old Roman" has been on an instructing tour and has been doing some fine work on the "diamonds." There is no doubt in the minds of the most incredulious that he is the greatest baseball teacher-manager of the age. The race is proud of him and the sporting writers of all papers delight to write about his superior ability. Both his teams will play Sunday.

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### The Negro In America.

Says the Chicago Tribune of Saturday last:

"The total Negro population of the United States—latest figures—is -9, 828,294, according to a pamphlet issued yesterday by the Illinois commission appointed by Governor Dunne to arrange a half century aniversary of Negro freedom.

"The Negroes own $1,000,000,000 worth of property and worship in $65,000,000 worth of churches. Their land covers 31,000 square miles, or 20,000,000 acres. There are 1,119,653 Negro female breadwinners, 16 years of age and over. Of these, the largest figure, 634,104, are domestics, 434,041 are engaged in agricultural pursuits, 361,804 are agricultural laborers, and 313,091 are servants and waitresses.

The commission is planning an exposition of the progress made by the Negroes of Illinois since their emancipation, which will begin Aug. 1, 1914, and continue for thirty days in the Coliseum."

It is also noted that Mrs. Mary V. Waring, one of the most widely known women of the race and a great club worker, locally and nationally, was appointed by Governor Dunne last week as a member of the Illinois commission to succeed Mrs. Susan Dana Joegen-Dahl of Springfield, Ill., (white) who resigned on account of illness. Mrs. Waring was formerly Miss Mary Fitzbutler, daughter of the late Dr. Henry Fitzbutler of Louisville, Ky. She comes from an educated family. She is a graduate of the Central High School, University of Chicago and a Medical School in Kentucky. She is now a teacher in the public schools of this city and is an assistant principal. She was married about ten years ago to Mr. Frank Waring, who is in the government service and they own a beautiful home over East. The many friends of Mrs. Waring are pleased to hear of the appointment. She is amply qualified to fill the position having been endorsed by the Chicago Defender. Mr. T. Wallace Swann is secretary of the commission.

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### Editor of Broadax Praised.

The time to give praise to a man for his clever work, his success in life, is when he is living. This is what Brother Julius F. Taylor of the Chicago Broadax is receiving. Brother Taylor, a neighbor and co-worker, did some splendid work when he got out an eight page paper two weeks ago, filled with cuts and write-ups of the big politicians just prior to the primary and every man he endorsed was nominated. He is a relentless worker and as one writer puts it, he "neither cringes or bows," a trait which stands out boldly in his character. The Freeman correspondent with other local newspapers joins in singing the praise of one who is a success in the business as a scribe.

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### Bethel Burns Mortgage.

Bethel A. M. E. Church of which the Rev. T. A. Smythe is pastor, held a burning on Tuesday night of this week. It was the burning of the mortgage, having liquidated all indebtedness of the church. On Sunday morning Dr. J. I. Lowe preached and in the afternoon the Rev. Reverdy Ransom, editor of the A. M. E. Review, of Philadelphia, delivered a very able sermon. The Ransom was here atending the Chicago Conference, presided over by Bishop B. F. Lee.

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### Millinery Opening This Week.

Madame Madaline McFarland, 4746 South State, held her fall millinery opening this week. This progressive millinery artist displayed the latest styles in headgear. All the military fashions to trade were on exhibition and crowds of people flocked to her establishment to se the new styles and to give orders. Madame McFarland has been in business several years and has a growing business. Her parlor is neatly and tastely decorated with the very latest creations and any one seeing them can not fail to purchase. Her many friends predict that she will have a big success this coming fall and winter.

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### Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gaither Here.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gaither and little daughter are here on a visit. They are stopping with the mother of Mrs. Gaither at 3120 Wabash avenue. The party journeyed here in Mr. Gaither's big touring car, one of the swellest seen in this city. Mrs. Gaither was formerly Miss Lizzie Wallace, known internationally as a stage artist of first rank. The wedding took place about two months ago at Cincinnati, Ohio, immediately after Mrs. Gaither starred in "Captain Rufus," which had a run at the Pekin Theater.

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### Golf Players in Chicago.

President Taft, Wilson or Roosevelt haven't anything on Walter Speedy, Needham Wright, Henry Johnson or Ralph Ball, who have become expert golf players. These four young men go every morning at the public golf links at Jackson Park and have the time of their life. They play in a nine-hole link. The Jackson Park Golf Links offer an excellent opportunity for physical exercise, but no less opportunity for practice of self-control and self-government. The measure of self-control and self-government by patrons of the links is the measure of excellence to be found in the service which the links offer. The players has offered to teach The Freeman correspondent, but he has not had the time and will pass the opportunity to one of their next best friends. They play by the rules of the United States Golf Association.

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### Grace Presbyterian Boys Win Cup.

Grace Presbyterian baseball team, who has won the silver Loving Cup in the Presbyterian Brotherhood League, for the fourth time, has again won the same honor. The boys equal in honor among the white Presbyterians as the American Giants do among the city teams. The Sunday school and citizens are proud of their victory.

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### "Count" Eubanks Seen on the Stroll.

Mr. John Eubanks, known on the "stroll" as "Count" Eubanks, was seen on the stroll last week fresh as a new hat from a band box. He says he is here for the winter and fully prepared for the wintry winds. Mr. Eubanks says he expects to take some part in politics this fall. He is well known among hotel men.

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### Miss Rena Branham Secures an Appointment.

Miss Rena Branham, 3263 Rhodes avenue, one of Chicago's society girls and an expert modiste, has secured an appointment in the dressmaking department of Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Mo. The many friends of Miss Branham will be glad to learn of her new venture and will wish her a huge success.

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### Pleased With the "Windy City."

Miss Katherine Kent of Birmingham, Ala., who is the guest of Mrs. Annette Troutman, 3434 Forest avenue, is greatly pleased with her stay in the "Windy City." Her many friends have made it quite pleasant for her and in the meantime she has taken a much needed rest. Miss Kent will return about the first or second week in October. She conducts an up-to-date business place in Birmingham, and is quite a success.

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### Coming Home Thanksgiving.

It is reported here among her many friends that Miss Mable Smith, stenographer for the Indianapolis Freeman, will be home Thanksgiving. All the boys are getting glad smiles on their faces.

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### Prof. Henry Boger Goes to Tuskegee.

Mr. Henry Boger, brother of Dr. H. H. Boger, left last week for Tuskegee Institute, where he will teach in the Horticultural Department. Prof. Boger is a graduate of Ohio State University and has made a special study of the work.

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### Mrs. Mary Rollis Better.

Mrs. Mary Rollis, 3533 Wabash avenue, sister of Mrs. Henrietta Wilson of the Wilson Plaza Dining room, who was seriously hurt last Sunday night by falling from a State street car by the conductor pulling the bell too soon, is resting easily at her home. Mrs. Wilson, who is nursing the sick, claims that it will be several weeks before she can receive company. Dr. Harlan is the attending physician.

## NATIONAL RETAIL MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION ORGANIZE

### At the Late Session of National Negro Business League Officers.

One of the most beneficial moves yet made—one of the most advantageous steps yet taken by the Negro National Business League, was taken at the late session held in Muskogee when the National Retail Merchants' Association was organized with the following executive committee: C. W. Gilliam, chairman, Okolona, Miss.; R. L. Maby, Birmingham, Ala.; I. S. Stokes, Shreveport, La.; Captain Jas. E. Hamlin, Raleigh, N. C.; T. J. Elliott, Muskogee, Okla.; E. Johnson, Kansas City, Kans.

The purpose of such an organization is obvious. Certainly in the progress of the retail business as done by colored persons in this country, it would be impossible to not reach the place where such an organization was not indispensable.

It will be of peculiar interest to Texas and Texans in that organization, places were given two of her distinguished sons: Mr. Welch being made secretary and Mr. H. W. Scott vice-president.

The rapid rise of Mr. Welch, it pleases the Dallas Express to note, presents a most encouraging picture to his friends. From vice-president of the Dallac Local League, he went to the presidency of the same. At the state meeting he received substantial recognition and now he returns from the national meeting the secretary of the Retail Merchants' Association. He is proprietor of the best furniture store operated by Negroes in this city, identified with every progressive movement and a strong member of the Baptist church. "Ed," as he is known to his familiar friends, is marked as one of the coming colored men of Dallas. Let us make way for him, for he is in the morning of his strength.

S. N. Dickerson, president, Talladega, Ala.; W. M. Martin, vice-president, St. Augustine, Fla.; H. W. Scott, vice-president, Dallas, Tex.; E. W. D. Welch, secretary, Dallas, Tex.; G E. Newstell, treasurer, Montgomery, Ala.

## MAKING HEADWAY IN THE SEPARATE COACH MATTER.

NEW ORLEANS, La.—To indicate some of the results of Railroad Day, as inaugurated by Dr. Booker T. Washington, of the Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, attention is called to a communication addressed by Mr. C. Marshall, superintendent of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, New Orleans, La., to Messrs. Robert E. Jones and Walter L. Cohen, who represent the colored people of New Orleans in presenting their complaints to the railroad authorities located in New Orleans:

Gentlemen: In answer to your courteous communication of June 8, I beg to say:

1. A number of our coaches, practically all in the through train service, are equipped with two toilets and a small smoking room. Such of the coaches as are not so equipped will be altered as they are sent to the shops for overhauling.
2. Note foregoing.
3. The arrangement with regard to meals for our colored patrons, now in effect, seems to be satisfactory to them, which is to serve the meals in the dining car, after the white passengers; or, if requested, to send the meals to the coach or sleeper.
4. The cause of complaint relative to the transfer at Eastville on No. 4 has been remedied.
5. Our passenger department is carefully considering some methods of accommodations in the sleeping cars for the colored travel, but as yet I am unable to say what will be done in this respect.
6. We will endeavor to remedy the matter of the section hands being placed in coaches, or compartments, assigned to our colored patrons; in some cases, however,—emergencies—it can not be avoided.
7. I beg your patience until we can work out more fully these measures; I rely upon your believing that we earnestly desire to do every thing possible in this direction.

Yours very truly,
C. MARSHALL, Supt.

The spirit of the above letter shows that a great gain has been made as a result of presenting, in a manly, straightforward way, to the railroad authorities the complaints of the colored people of this section. Reports from other parts of the country are to the effect that the railroad authorities, in nearly every case, have listened with sympathetic interest to the petitions which have been presented to them.

## DR. RICHARD CARROLL WORKING FOR CAROLINA HOSPITAL.

PETERSBURG, Va., Sept. 23.—Rev. Richard Carroll of Columbia, S. C., one of the most potent agencies for race progress in the South, is here conducting a religious revival and stirring up enthusiasm for the establishment of a hospital for colored people at Columbia, where such an institution is sadly needed. The plan as outlined briefly by Dr. Carroll is to establish this hospital in the heart of South Carolina for the purpose of serving the needs of the hundreds of thousands of Negroes who live in the adjacent states and throughout the entire South.

To bring the movement clearly before the people of the country, the "Colored Hospital Association of South Carolina" has been organized and chartered. The officers are: Richard Carroll, president; R. B. Gardener, secretary; J. A. Hoyt (president of the People's Bank), treasurer, and M. H. Bright, traveling and financial agent. Some of the wealthiest and most influential white citizens of South Carolina are helping Dr. Carroll and his coworkers to push the cause forward.

## YALDOSTA, GA.

Mr. Charlie Walton spent Sunday in Boston, Ga. .. Mr. and Mrs. H. Warker, of Boston, Ga., spent three days with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Walton, of this city. .. Mr. J. H. Stokes spent Sunday in Jacksonville, Fla., with Mr. M. M. Stapler. .. Miss Ethel Wood, of Waycross, Ga., came home Tuesday. .. Mr. Fred S. Boungs spent Sunday in Jacksonville, Fla. .. The Freeman will be for sale every Saturday by John A. Purdie.

# NEWS OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL!

### The Board of Education Considering Weighty Problems in a Spirit of Fairness to All Concerned

# THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPENED AUSPICIOUSLY!

### Night School Teachers to be Under Merit System and Double-Time Teachers will Receive Due Attention—Zion Scores a Spiritual and Business Triumph—Miss Hershaw Librarian at Howard University—Race's Birthday Fittingly Celebrated—Recordership Still Vacant—The News in Tabloid.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

(Bureau of The Freeman, 1337 Wallach Place, N. W., Washington, D. C.)

Washington, D. C., Special.

At the meeting of the Board of Education last Friday the final arrangements for the opening of the schools were made and much other important business was transacted. It was learned that the name "George F. T. Cook Normal School" can not be applied to the new Normal School No. 2. The district commissioners disapproved the recommendation to this effect, for the reason that there are now three school buildings in the district bearing the name of Cook and to add to the number, would in their opinion, cause confusion. A communication announcing the presentation of 400 books to the library of the new normal school by Mr. Cook was receveid. Under an act of Congress, five visiting nurses will be selected by the health officer for service in the public schools. Four are to be white, to visit the white schools, and one will be colored, to visit the colored schools. They will be selected by an examination which is to be called at an early date by Health Officer Woodward.

The colored schools of the district comprise those included in the 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th divisions, and the teaching corps numbers about 600. Garrison school was transferred from the 11th to the 10th division. A large batch of transfers from one building to another was announced, and a number of appointments and promotions were ordered. Lieut. Col. Arthur Brooks, military instructor for many years, was advanced from class 2 to class 3. C. C. McDuffie was made a permanent teacher of Latin in the M. Street High School. The routine changes in the force of janitors, caretakers, etc., were made a part of the record. As predicted in these columns, the alleged "charges" against J. Moria Saunders, principal of the O. Street Vocational School, and against Garnet C. Wilkinson, principal of the Armstrong Manual Training School, fell flat and were dismissed without notable comment.

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### Public Schools Open Auspiciously.

The Washington public schools opened auspiciously Monday morning. Few, if any of the colored teachers, were marooned by the war in Europe and the general health of the corps hereabouts has been excellent. Assistant Superintendent Roscoe Conkling Bruce was on hand and saw that everything went off in "apple-pie order." Normal school No. 2, that $250,000 monumental structure on Georgia Avenue, was occupied for the first time and the completeness of its appointments and ideal adaptation to educational needs evoked universal commendation. Dr. Lucy E. Moten was in charge there and regards the institution as the realization of her fondest dreams, the climax of thirty years of unremitting labor. It is expected by the school officials that the enrollment of colored pupils this year will reach 15,000, including the high, manual training, vocational and business schools, the grades and the kindergartens.

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### Merit System to Be Governing Factor.

Considerable sentiment has been aroused with reference to a revised merit system for the selection of night school teachers. It may take the form of an examination for all applicants, or there may be established a regular eligible list of normal graduates, the vacancies to be filled exactly in the order of the standing of the graduates. That something will be done to eliminate the present patronage system, goes without the saying. The opponents of "graft" do not relish the periodical insinuations that favoritism governs appointments in the night schools and they are in sympathy with the agitation for a reform in the methods that will do away with all possible ground for suspicion of unfairness. The matter is being worked out by those in authority and a plan will be submitted to the board in the near future. The rights of normal graduates, as well as the prerogative of the schools to see the best material wherever it may be obtained, will be scrupulously safeguarded, according to an opinion expressed by a member of the board.

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### Day Teachers and the Night Schools.

Another matter that will be given a good airing is the long-established custom of employing in the night schools the teachers who are rendering service as teachers during the day. Said a prominent citizen the other day, touching this subject:

"I have not given the schools the attention I should have done in the past and I want to know more about the methods in vogue in them in the future. There may be some good reason for doubling up the teachers, working certain ones both day and night. If there is no good reason for it, surely there would have been enough protests against the system to have wiped it out long ago. The wisdom of such a plan does not appear to me, especially in an immense field like Washington, where teaching talent is so abundant and where the industrial and business outlet for employment is so meager. It does not seem fair to work one set of men and women overtime, while scores of others have no bite at the employment cherry at all. I sympathize thoroughly with the complaint that a teacher can not do justice to a night school, after having gone through a siege of hard work during the day. I am anxious to know whether the day teachers are compelled to put in this overtime, by reason of the scarcity of trained men and women willing to do the work, or whether they are eager to draw extra money and are thus favored at the expense of good government and to the detriment of others not less worthy. I shall investigate the matter with an open mind, ready to be convinced of the wisdom of the present system when I am shown reasons that will hold water."

This is the attitude of many who have given only a casual attention to the problems of school management. The light they seek will doubtless be forthcoming at the hands of those in a position to know. In our next letter we shall present the view of one of the school officials on the problem under discussion.

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### The Normal School Librarianship.

The post of librarian at Normal School No. 2 is still vacant, and the problem as to how it is to be filled "hangs fire." It continues to be the general impression that the most equitable method would be to subject the many applicants to a test examination and allow the fittest to have the place without further question. Few care as to which individual is named, just so no improper influence is allowed to govern the selection. In this last issue lies the safety of the entire administration of the school system in the District. The question might as well be fought out now as later.

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### Sub-Committees on Board of Education.

The Board of Education is made up of nine members, three of whom are colored and three are women. They are selected for three-year terms by the Justices of the District Supreme Court. The colored members now serving are Dr. Charles H. Marshall, Dr. C. W. Childs and Mrs. Coralie Franklin Cook. They are represented on all of the sub-committees named by the board for special work, touching the regulation of the thousand and one details of school direction. Notwithstanding the complexity of the issues treated, there is a commendable degree of harmony on the board and in the committees, and the race question is handled without friction. The Negro schools secure about one-third of the District appropriation for educational purposes, and their buildings and equipment compare favorably with the best in the land.

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### Lincoln Memorial Arch Dedicated.

In the presence of an immense crowd, including many delegates returning southward from the National Baptist Convention held last week at Philadelphia, a "Lincoln Memorial Arch" was dedicated Wednesday afternoon at the National Training School for Women and Girls at Lincoln Heights. This is the thriving school directed by Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, founded by her in response to the widespread demand for trained women in the homes, the schools and in the gainful occupations open to the female sex. The exercises were held under the auspices of the fiftieth anniversary me-

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## News of the Nation's Capital.

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morial commission appointed by the Women's Convention, auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention. Senator Moses Clapp, of Minnesota, who is always ready to extend a helping hand to the progressive Negro, delivered an address, telling of the work of Abraham Lincoln for the advancement of the colored American. Former Commissioner H. B. F. Macfarland eulogized the spirit of service that permeated the activities of the National Training School and was glad that Washington, the home of the largest group of colored people in the country, should be the seat of the best institution found anywhere for the training of colored women in domestic science, nursing, gardening and similar services. Such institutions, he said, and such splendid leaders as Miss Burroughs, give new hope to the friends of the Negro race and to all patriots. The dedicatory address was delivered by Attorney William Harrison, of Oklahoma. The formal presentation of the arch was made by Dr. E. C. Morris, of Arkansas, president of the National Baptist Convention. Rev. D. A. Over, of Colorado, read the Scripture lesson and Miss Burroughs gave an illuminating story of the development of the institution at Lincoln Heights. Musical selections were rendered by Miss M. Helen Adams and Miss Ophelia Parker and the Training School sang jubilee hymns and high-class choruses that went far to enliven the occasion. In the evening four mass meetings were held at Baptist churches and echo talks on the results of the National Baptist Convention and the Lincoln Arch dedication were made by many eloquent divines from many States. A generous collection was one of the pleasing features of the day and night.

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Within a few days the edifice now known as St. Andrew's Protestant Episcopal Church, at Fourteenth and Corcoran streets will pass out of the hands of its present owners and become the property of the congregation of John Wesley A. M. E. Zion Church, which relinquishes its old place of worship on Eighteenth street, near L, to a business corporation. The death of a member of the St. Andrew vestry delayed the signing of the final papers, but the arrangements are now complete and the departing congregation bade farewell to its old home at last Sunday's services. Negotiations have been in progress for several months. The sale grows out of the fact that the membership of St. Andrew's has shifted out of the neighborhood, and colored people have rapidly taken the places of the white families there. This makes it an excellent site for an up-to-date colored congregation. It will carry all of the strength of the old John Wesley church and win many recruits in its new territory.

The acquisition is regarded as both a spiritual and a business triumph for Zion, which for a long time has felt the need of a monumental temple of worship and a national rallying point for its denomination at the capital. The success of the deal is due in the largest measure to the business sagacity and persistence of Bishop Alexander Walters, head of the Washington diocese, and to the courage and unfailing confidence displayed by the pastor of John Wesley, Rev. W. C. Brown.

The purchase price of the new edifice is $61,000—$4,000 less than the amount reported in the daily papers. Real estate men say it is worth much more, and being on a growing business street, will constantly enhance in value. Ten years from now, they say, the church can get upward of $100,000 for the property, if they wish to dispose of it to business firms. The Wesleyites received $23,500 for the Eighteenth Street church.

It is an open secret that the Zion connection will take from the John Wesley membership a large share of the indebtedness, carrying it very much as the A. M. E. Church is "backing up" the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church as a connectional enterprise. This will enable the old congregation to worship in a modern church at practically no increase in the weight of the burden they carried alone on Eighteenth Street. The Bishop is here this week, meeting with the trustees and Zionites in general, and is presenting for consideration a financial plan that will mark new standards for church management in this city. S. M. Dudley, with his Sons of Zion movement, will make inroads upon a young religious element not heretofore identified with any church and will arouse a Christian enthusiasm that is expected to yield golden results.

The outlook for John Wesley Church and for the Zion connection in the nation's capital seems to be exceptionally bright.

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### Celebrating the Negro's Fifty-Second Birthday.

The fifty-second anniversary of the issuance of the emancipation proclamation of Abraham Lincoln was fittingly celebrated on the 22d at Galbraith A. M. E. Zion Church. The exercises were under the auspices of the National Emancipation Commemorative Society, of which Prof. Jesse Lawson is president. The principal address was delivered by Representative S. D. Foss, of Ohio, who spoke on "Lincoln, the Emancipator." Among other speakers were Judge Robert H. Terrell, Editor T. Thomas Fortune, Rev. W. D. Battle, Rev. W. W. McCary and Mrs. Mary E. Washington, connected with the Mill City Manufacturing Company at New Albany, Ind. One of the aims of the society is to hold in this city in the near future a national exposition showing the progress of the Negroes in their half-century of freedom.

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The recordership of deeds remains among the unsettled questions that vex the peace of the District of Columbia, black and white. The general opinion is that the President will name a colored man for the place, and it has been practically understood that the appointment would be made upon the adjournment of Congress—possibly to avoid an acrimonious contest in the Senate over the confirmation of a Negro, at a time when much important legislation was pending. The sudden outbreak of war in Europe and the emergency measures growing out of the conditions made by the war, have had the effect of holding Congress in session. Thus, a well-laid plan seems to have been disturbed, if not broken up altogether, and the recordership remains vacant, with the Negro candidates in an attitude of "watchful waiting." The contest appears to have narrowed down to two active candidates, A. B. Cosey, of New Jersey, and James A. Ross, of New York. Both are strongly backed and the pendulum of favor has, for some months, oscillated between them, as far as the outside public has been able to learn. Those who know what is going to happen are keeping it to themselves, leaving the prophecies to those who make a specialty of talking without information.

The whole situation, at this writing, depends upon the developments in the European war game and the progress of the legislation in Congress in which the President and the country are most vitally interested.

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### "Aunt Jane" onors the Press and Stage.

Miss Eliza J. Morton, of 811 Florida Avenue N. W., well-known to the theatrical profession as "Aunt Jane," gave a highly enjoyable supper last Wednesday evening as a mark of her appreciation of the press, which has had many nice things to say of her and her excellently kept "Actors' Home." The guests of honor were Mr. R. W. Thompson, manager of Thompson's National News Bureau, and Mr. J. Finley Wilson, until recently connected with the Washington Sun. Miss Susie Sutton, the versatile impersonator, acquitted herself admirably as mistress of ceremonies, and Miss Gertrude Collins had charge of the musical program. Following the toothsome menu, with appetizing spaghetti as the foundation and many other good things as accompaniments, eloquent speeches eulogistic of "Aunt Jane's" open-handed generosity to all who are fortunate enough to find a place beneath her roof, were made by Messrs. Thompson, Wilson, Tom Brown, Miss Sutton and others. Reverent mention was made of the departed leaders of the profession, such as George Walker, Sam Corker, Ernest Hogan, Tom Logan, Bob Cole, Walter Smart and Billy Young, and a silent toast was proposed to their memory. Among those constituting the brilliant party, besides those already mentioned, were Messrs. S. H. Dudley, C. Frank Adams, Johnnie Miller, J. H. Payne, Frank Holly, James Harris of the Prampin Trio, "Franie" Payne, Alfred Hewin, Andrew Jones, Miss Virginia Liston, Gussie Powell, William Nelson, John Ware, Edgar Martin, Henry Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. William McCray, Mrs. Morton, Miss Letitia Morton, Douglas Gentry and others. "Aunt Jane," resplendent in black silk and diamonds, was voted an ideal hostess by the wellfed members of the press and actors' fraternity, and was made an honorary member "at sight" of both guilds.

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### Rejoicing Over Success of Miss Lola Johnson.

Miss Lola Johnson, the talented soprano and literateur, has completed her plans for her work this fall at the new Normal School No. 2. She is at the head of the musical department of Dr. Lucy E. Moton's great institution for the training of teachers and after long and faithful service has risen to the maximum grade as an instructor, with salary at $1,800 per annum. Miss Johnson is a valued soloist in the S. Coleridge-Taylor Choral Society and has led that immense aggregation of singers at numerous grand concerts here and in Baltimore, Philadelphia and other places the organization has visited. Through her helpfulness for every worthy cause and willingness to use her God-given vocal accomplishments whenever her services could yield some practical result for her people, Miss Johnson, in the eighteen years she has been a Washingtonian, has won a warm place in the affections of our masses and our classes. All are delighted to note the success that has come to her.

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### With the Player-Folk.

The American is putting on a tabloid drama this week, with a sideline of choice vaudeville. Tom Brown, the eminent change artist, has joined hands with S. H. Dudley and will act as assistant manager at the American for the present, and may later go on the road in act in which he will be featured, along with the great comedian. Both have an abiding faith in the future of the Negro on the stage and believe in doing something new every minute.

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Williams and Stevens put on "The Richest Man in Georgia" in good style last week at the American.

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**Black Patti's Troubadours** will be at the American week of October 5 in "Lucky Sam from Alabam."

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Manager Douglass Gentry is making the Chelsea a veritable "gold mine."

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Mr. Lester A. Walton, drfamatic and managing editor of The New York Age, and co-manager of the Lafayette theater, New York City, was in the city last Friday on business. In company with Mr. James Reese Europe, director of the Tempo Club, New York City, Mr. Walton made the rounds of the local theaters and was especially interested in the outlook of Thomas and Dudley's New American theater, where they spent the bulk of the evening. Mr. Walton sees no reason why a downtown playhouse, putting on standard attractions and advertising liberally, may not be a "howling success" in the nation's capital. This opinion is shared by Mr. Europe, whose home is here and who knows the Washington people like a book. The New Yorkers were piloted and autoed by Manager S. H. Dudley.

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The Hiawatha theater has been enlarged, the additional space making room for nearly 100 seats. Manager Murray is catering to those who like the "movies," unadulterated by vaudeville, and has a big clientele all his own.

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The Martin and Motley Stock Company is in the fifth week of its successful run at Dudley's U Street theater. Edgar Martin and Rosa Motley, backed by Misses Hilarie Friend, Katie Jones, Rosetta Shanks and others to the number of ten people, are natural-born comedians and dancers, and deserve the applause they are receiving nightly at the hands of "capacity" crowds. They will take the road at the conclusion of their season here.

### THE NEWS IN TABLOID.

The town was full of Baptists last week, going home from the National Baptist Convention at Philadelphia.

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Dr. R. H. Boyd, looking extra fine after his great triumph at the National Baptist Convention, was a conspicuous figure at the dedicatory ceremonies at Lincoln Heights. He was accompanied by his hustling son, Henry Allen Boyd. Their stay was all too short, for many wished to greet thm as true leaders of the race.

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The appointment of the Hon. Sherman Allen as assistant secretary of the Federal Reserve Board is an excellent one, and for which Secretary McAdoo is receiving warm commendation at the hands of all parties. Mr. Allen made an admirable assistant secretary of the treasury under both Secretaries McVeagh and McAdoo.

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Under the provisions of the new "alley law," no dwelling house can be erected in alleys less than thirty feet wide, and open from street to street. Within four years all houses now in the prohibited class must be torn down or made to comply with the law just adopted by Congress. The measure was earnestly supported by the late Mrs. Woodrow Wilson. This will eventually bring about better living conditions for the masses of colored people now herded in unsanitary alleys, and compel the erection of modern homes for the poorer classes at rentals within their means.

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Miss Estelle C. Coffey of 1909 Eleventh street, one of Washington'e foremost society factors, spent the summer with her parents at Aurora, N. C. The last week-end of her delightful stay in the Old North State was spent at picturesque Bayboro, with a house party which included her two sisters, Mrs. Pauline Boyd and Mrs. Emily Stovall. The generous host was Mr. Shakespeare Simmons, a wealthy business man of that section, and his gungalow was a bower of beauty in honor of the occasion. Miss Coffey concluded her season with a trip to New York City with her father, who came North for a brief vacation.

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The patrons of the Washington schools are grateful for the attention your correspondent is aiming to give these admirable educational agencies. The "kicking" of the reactionaries is of no consequence.

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Miss Rose Cecile Hershaw, a graduate of the local high and normal schools and for a goodly period in charge of the library and the select classes at the Manassas Industrial Institute, has been appointed assistant librarian at Howard University. To her ripe experience gained at Manassas, Miss Hershaw completed a thorough this summer in library work at Columbia University, New York City. The appointment is a fitting one, and Miss Hershaw is receiving congratulations from a host of friends. She is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hershaw, well known for their activity in educational and religious affairs in this city.

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It is stated that J. Finley Wilson will continue his journalistic labors in this community. He is full of energy and of boundless resourcefulness, and is conceded to be the best advertising manager in this section of the country.

Eighty applications are on file for the five positions as nurses in the public schools. The salary will be $900 per annum.

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Special Assistant United States District Attorney James A. Cobb, who succeeds because he minds his own business, refuses to be drawn into a silly controversy with reactionaries and Black-Handers.

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The Freeman's Washington correspondent has at least one diligent and appreciative reader—one who never misses an issue of this paper. That unique personage is the editor of the Washington Bee.

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The Freeman's Washington correspondent has the breadth of vision to see all sides of a proposition and the courage to tell the truth as he sees it. It is his mission to chronicle the news that helps—not to paint direful pictures from distorted material nor to serve as a prophet of disaster. The fewer editors and correspondents we have of the pessimistic stripe the better it will be for Washington and the nation at large. It hurts no one to be absolutely fair—and it is not difficult for a writer to be honest when he is built that way.

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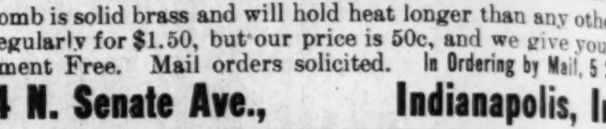

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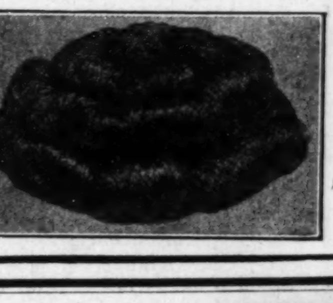

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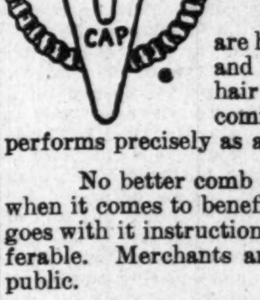

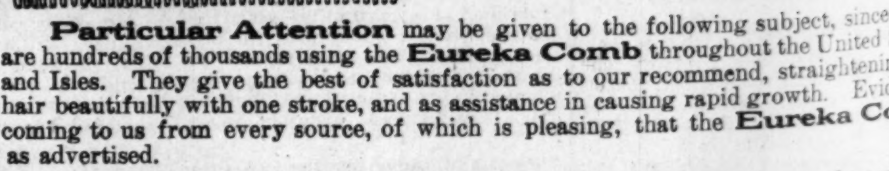
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By R. W. Thompson.

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And plenty of room to grow.

So I'm going to work and have my fun,
And I'm going to reap the spoil;
And I'm going to grow till growth is done
Wherever I chance to toil.

Above or below—I worry me not
As long as I keep the pace,
And do the best with the chance I've got
In my own particular place.
—John Kendrick Bangs.

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South Carolina has redeemed herself from "Blease-ism."

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The Tuskegee Institute quartet is singing successfully in New York state.

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Roscoe Conkling Bruce is the "sure-enough" superintendent of the colored schools of Washington, D. C.

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The "Black-Handers" of Washington and elsewhere are being shamefully overshadowed by the war abroad.

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If Mr. Watt Terry, the famous Brockton, Mass., near-millionaire has his way, the next session of the Naational Negro Business League will be held in Boston, the place of its birth fifteen years ago.

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If there are any A. B. C. mediators left, they will find a fruitful field for their endeavors in Boston this week.

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If an organizer would make himself a fixture he must figure in the receipts as well as in the expense column.

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Bert Williams, the eminent comedian, has purchased a fine home in New York City. He is again with Ziegfeld's Follies.

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Isaac Fisher occupies a space in the limelight rivaling that of the European War, Booker T. Washington and Theodore Roosevelt.

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Along about now a score of defeated candidates for office have found out that good men can be awfully handicapped by having bad support.

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The National Medical Association did two very wise things at Raleigh—electing Dr. F. S. Hargrave president and selecting Chicago as its next meeting place.

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The teaching force at Wiley University—Dr. M. W. Dogan's splendid school at Marshall, Texas, has been strengthened by the addition of Prof. William Pickens.

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The Afro-American Ledger throws out a hint that President Melvin J. Chisum, of the National Negro Press Association, may become identified with the Nashville Globe.

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For some unexplained reason, the Washington Bee suddenly lost interest in the National Negro Press Association after that Philadelphia session its editor was "skeered" to attend.

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The establishment of a "moratorium" by colored newspaper men has passed the debatable period. Most of them suspended the payment of current obligations long before the war became acute.

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The Chicago Leader, with W. Melvin Hutton as editor, is the newest member of the Windy City journalistic flock. There is "always room for one more" in the Chicago newspaper omnibus. Long life to the newcomer.

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The bill to prevent white teachers from instructing colored students in Georgia has failed. The best white people were against it, deeming it a cruel and wholly unnecessary blow at Negro intelligence and general progress.

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The authorities in some of the prohibition states have put the ban on those patent "medicines" that have long done service for the invalids who disdained visiting barrooms—or buying the straight goods with the right label on it.

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"Another Young Man Succeeds in Business" is a head we like to see in the papers of the race. The right-thinking Negroes wish to be cheered by reading of the triumphs of their brethren, not of the disappointments, disasters and hard-luck in general.

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The Elks are coming. The latest report shows that the "Best People on Earth" (B. P. O. E.) own real estate valued at nearly $50,000 in fee simple, and have a membership approximating 20,000, covering the United States and Western Hemisphere.

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There is a "field" for Negro dailies in half a dozen cities of the country; but neither the capital nor the support is in sight. Running a daily is no festival, to be played with by amateurs and doctrinaires. It is a man's job—and costs money and plenty of it. The Negro daily is a dream, as yet.

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Edward A. Warren is rendering yeoman service as managing editor of the Amsterdam News in New York City. He is both a clever writer and a business man of quality. He and Founder J. H. Anderson constitute a great journalistic team and merit the large measure of success that has come to them.

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This is not a fairy tale. The Afro-American Ledger gives out the information that Benjamin H. Locks, of Baltimore, has been appointed principal of one of the colored schools of Ypsilanti, Mich. The school has an attendance of about eighty per cent. colored pupils. The faculty, aside from Mr. Locks, is white.

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Truly great leaders do not concern themselves about the petty quarrels among the folks who call themselves allies. Leaders are looking for constructive helpers—not jealous "knockers." This applies with equal force to Dr. Washington, Bishop Walters and others who are giving the best that is in them for the uplift of the whole people.

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Friends of Bishop J. W. Hood are again discussing the probability of the retirement of the venerable prelate at the Louisville General Conference of the Zion connection in 1916. Bishop Hood is one of the pillars of the church of Varick. He has served it long and well and laid its foundations strong and deep. He is entitled to relief from his arduous labors.

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It is indeed good news to learn the the Negroes of the State of Alabama are to get their one-third of the agricultural funds provided by the Smith-Lever law. The schools to receive the funds for the scientific instruction of colored people in agriculture are Tuskegee Institute and the A. and M. Institute at Normal—one-half each of the third allotted.

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The State Supervisor of Examinations in West Virginia has startled the natives by refusing to be styled "Professor." He says he is not a circus performer, a vaudeville magician, a cabaret piano player, a guitar picker, a tonsorialist nor a patent medicine barker. Hence he has no claim on the title his fool friends would thrust on him. Will this gentle hint hold for a while a few of the "gents" you all know?

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The Lexington (Ky) Weekly News has just closed a contract for the installation of a new Mergenthaler linotype machine It is said to be the first and only one owned by a colored newspaper company in the Blue Grass State. Brothers E. D. Willis, E. E. Underwood, J. H. Garvin and A. W. Davis are some hustlers. They are getting out a good paper and the people are standing by them.

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Charles W. Scrutchin is a noted colered lawyer in the white community at Bermidji, Minn. He figured in a greater part of the cases tried in the last District Court of Beltrami county, Minn., where the Negro population is a small majority. He is of unmistakable Negro extraction and has acculated considerable property. His wife is a cultured Caucasian woman and is a leader in church and civic work.

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Rightly and with thundering emphasis, Booker T. Washington pleads for the "old theology." "Take to my people on the plantations of the South the 'old theology,'" he told recently to a big convention of Sunday school workers in Chicago. "The 'old theology' that says thou shalt not kill, thou shalt not steal, thou shalt not commit adultery, thou shalt not bear false witness!' Take them that! That's the 'old theology' I mean!"

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There is no wonder that Isaac Fisher should win any literary prize that he might seek through the magazines, but how he led 9,000 competitors on "What We Have Learned About Rum," with such expert testimony as some of them are known to possess, is little short of miraculous. Theoretical knowledge oftimes beats out practical experience, when a fellow knows more about handling a pen than the art of "turning up his little finger."

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The speech of Attorney J. Frank Wheaton at Norfolk, nominating T. Gillis Nutter for Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks of the World, is declared to have been one of the greatest forensic efforts of the kind since Roscoe Conkling placed General Grant in nomination for the presidency at the famous national convention at Chicago in 1880. It was indeed the cap-sheaf of one of the most skillfully-conducted campaigns known to the fraternities in this generation.

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In all probability the next meeting of the National Negro Business League will be held at a point in the Middle West that will enable visitors to "make" the Business League, the Medical Association and the Elks and National Baptist Convention in a single trip. This is practical economy and good sense, and each of the organizations will be helped by such an arrangement. What is the matter with Cincinnati for the Business League—or Pittsburgh or Indianapolis?

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Those of us who make note of the multitude of Negroes who live in magnificent homes, ride in their own automobiles, wear the finest clothes and eat the best the market affords; those of us who scan their broad acres, bountiful crops and see them engaged in banking, merchandising and building skyscrapers—in short, doing everything done by the most favored of races, cannot be persuaded that the Negro is "the man farthest down." Think it over and take renewed courage!

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Liberia, the home of the progressive West African, although neutral, is being greatly injured commercially by the European war. According to Justice T. McCants Stewart, of the Liberian Supreme Court, two-thirds of Liberia's trade is with Germany. It required three hundred German ships last year to handle the ivory, rubber, coffee, palm nuts, palm oil, etc., carried out of Liberia. The hope is expressed that the United States may be in a position to put on a line of ships to relieve the distress that a stoppage of this immense volume of trade will entail upon Liberia's people.

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The versatile and brilliant Mme. E. Azalia Hackley is writing some fine news-letters from Paris, and "sizes" up the delicate situation with a degree of skill and courage not excelled by any writer who has endeavored to handle the issues growing out of the most deadly conflict the century has ever seen. But, as versatile and as brilliant as Mme. Hackley has long been known to be, who would have ever pictured her in the role of "war correspondent." One can never tell what a day will bring forth. We trust the fair diva wil lemerge from the scene without injury and with the least possible financial loss.

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Charles H. Moore, now principal of the public schools at Reidsville, N. C., served most brilliantly as national organizer of the National Negro Business League. The A. and M. College Register, in an interesting review of "The North Carolina Negro in Business" says: "With the aid of Booker T. Washington's National Negro Business League, Prof. Charles H. Moore has organized many local business leagues in this State and thus has encouraged more of our people to enter business on their own behalf." Maybe Prof. Moore can be induced to "come back" as "advance man" for the Negro's national Chamber of Commerce.

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Dr. Booker T. Washington is opposed to "segregation," but hits the nail on the head when he contends that if municipalities are short-sighted enough to make laws confining Negroes to certain localities, they owe it to themselves as a race to make those localities just as beautiful, cleanly and orderly as their means will permit. A "Negro neighborhood" should not be distinguished by tumble-down houses, ragged sidewalks, bedraggled women and dirty children, even if the laws give us little encouragement to live among white people. We shall find friends to battle for us only in proportion as we show ourselves worthy of their support.

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The Fort Worth correspondent of the Dallas Express, showing that "the voteless man is a helpless man," and pointing out the freedom with which colored men are allowed to cast ballots in local elections, provided they pay their poll tax, declares that out of the 4,500 Negro adults in that community, less than 20 per cent. think enough of the suffrage to qualify for it by paying the slight tax assessed. If colored men of the South expect their brothern in the North to exert themselves very earnestly toward improving franchise conditions in the South, those who have the privilege of voting must do something to help themselves. Paying a poll tax is one of the simplest ways of indicating their appreciation of the value of the ballot.

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They say a hotel man has to be a versatile genius. Measured by this standard, "Al" Jones, the landlord of the Roadside Hotel at Philadelphia, must be ideally fitted for the many-sided role he is called upon to play day by day. According to a newspaper man who knows him well, Mr. Jones can mix drinks, cook like a French chef, wait on the table, peel potatoes, dance, fight, play whist, make up the beds, wash the windows, whistle, entertain every kind and condition of mankind, talk theology or politics at will, arrange weddings for bashful couples, act as best man, make a speech, and in a pinch, can do the laundry work. When you pay your bill, he takes the money as if he were doing you a favor to let him keep it a while for you, so engaging and mind-relieving is his smile.

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The Atlanta Independent is eminently correct in its declaration that the Negro insurance companies are among the principal agencies that make for genuine race progress. They give lucrative employment to hundreds of our men and women, who might otherwise be compelled to add to the congestion in the menial lines of labor. They teach the spirit of self-helpfulness and the wisdom of providing for that "rainy day" that is sure to come into the life of every one of us; besides there is guaranteed a freedom from the burden of putting away decently the body of the insured after death has claimed this earthly tenement for his own. Every intelligent and industrious insurance agent is a missionary for the cause of race prudence, an apostle of thrift and foresight. Georgia, North and South Carolina, Virginia, the District of Columbia and other localities have insurance companies whose holdings aggregate millions and whose annual payments spell comfort for the sick and provision for the dead, and what may be more important, a good living for those that are engaged in handling the enormous business that is being carried on.

## LAKE FOREST, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

The committee of the First Baptist Church building funds are having quite a success in their $500 rally. .. The writer has been indisposed for several weeks, but at this writing is very much improved. We hope for his speedy recovery and that he will be at his desk again soon. .. Miss Hughes, the house guest of Mrs. C. Gray, has returned to her home in St. Louis, Mo. After spending a few days there she will resume her trip for Seattle, where she expects to make her future home. .. Mr. Chas. Gray, the energetic riding school teacher, will attend the State fair at Milwaukee, Wis., this week. In Mr. Gray we have a thorough business man. We need more like him. .. Do you want the best? Yes? I will tell you what it is—The Freeman. Why, you can have it one year for $1. Now, call 541-R and they will gladly send in your name. .. Mrs. Gertrude Giles has returned to the city after spending several months in Colorado Springs, Colo., and other Western cities. .. Mr. Geo. McShone and Miss Luter attended the uarterly meeting in Muskegon on the 13th. .. The Misses Baxter are preparing to enter their third year in high school. We wish them much success; also Miss Helen Tivis, the alert and wide-awake correspondent for the Chicago Defender. .. Rev. Hudson spent Sunday in our city. Sunday evening he preached to a large and appreciative audience, which he held spellbound. His text was "If I be lifted up I will draw all men unto me." .. Miss Julia Matthews gave a birthday party at Slaughter's Hall the 11th. It was largely attended by out-of-town guests from Evanston, Glencoe and Waukegan. She was the recipient of many valuable and costly presents. .. B. B. Turner, the best caterer in the city is put to a test for competent help to serve banquets. Why don't our young men offer themselves for such occasions? .. Mrs. William Jordon has returned to the city again after an extended trip through the West and Northwest. She visited St. Paul and Minneapolis en route home.

## TROY, ALA.

(Bureau of The Freeman.)
(Chas. J. Lawson, Correspondent.)

W. Hill went to Montgomery last Monday. .... Messrs. H. Asher, E. Betts, W. L. Stewart, G. Farror, and C. J. Lawson will give a banquet on September 27th. All Freeman readers are requested to be present. There will be good news for them. A splendid program has been arranged. Music will be furnished by the Troy Orchestra. The proceeds go to the First Baptist building fund. .... The regular meeting of W. C. Murphy Lodge No. 223, K. of P., will be held Thursday night. .... Mr. Allie Burks is on the sick list. .... Mr. Judson Owens is suffering from rheumatism. ....Claud Perry, of Montgomery, Ala., is the guest of Mr. Jessie Gilfert..... Prof. Cinnie will leave today to assume his duties as principal of a rural school in the northern part of the county. The city graded school has postponed their opening on account of not having any building. Fire recently destroyed the school building, but we are going to build another one soon. .... President W. S. Buchannon, of the A. & M. College at Normal, Ala., will arrive tonight to visit his mother, Mrs. Harriett Ardis. ....Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bury left last night for Dothan, Ala., where they will reside. .... The regular monthly meeting at Bethel Baptist church was held Sunday and Sunday night. Both services were largely attended. Rev. J. Clayton and his members should be given all praise for building this large church with its large seating capacity, comfort and room. It has a membership of nearly one thousand, and some are the leaders of our race. With a great set of young deacons and a good choir and its many clubs, there shall be success under Rev. Clayton, the great leader.

## EVERETT, WASH.

(By Wesley Samuels.)

Mr. Louis Hunter, of Sedro Woolley, was the guest of friends in this city several days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Perkins entertained as their guests for several days this week Mr. and Mrs. J. Coleman, of Seattle.

Miss Mazie M. Mitchell and Mr. Chas. Marshall enjoyed a trip to the Straits of Juan de Fuca. Monday.

Mr. Wm. W. Simmons is spending a few days at Glendale, Wash.

Mrs. Russell and daughter, Miss Russell, are among the recent arrivals and will make Everett their future home.

The Everett Benevolent Club held its regular monthly business meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Samuels, on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Wm. J. Davis is the guest of his brother, Mr. Arthur Davis, at the latter's farm, at Lake Washington, near Seattle.

Mrs. Aur. Davis and Miss Delia Simms entertained the Everett Benevolent and Social Society on Thursday evening. After the business hour and program a delightful three course luncheon was served to twenty members.

Dr. Chester C. Crawley has returned after spending the last week in Portland, Ore., as the guest of friends. While in Portland, Dr. Crawley attended the Grand Lodge of F. & A. A. Y. M., which was in session in that city.

Those who enjoyed a pleasant outing at Silver Lake last Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Philip Taylor and Miss Helen Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. William Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Tinker, Mr. and Mrs. T. Perkins, Mrs. B. Smith and Mr. Samuel Douglas and Mr and Mrs. J. Coleman, of Seattle.

Mr. Wesley Samuels was the guest of friends in Portland for the past week. Mr. Samuels also attended the Grand Lodge of F. & A. A. Y. M. while in that city. Mr. Samuels was made Grand Secretary of the lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Norwood have as their guest, Mrs. Fredrick Tibbs, of Sedro Woolley, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. John Samuels entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of Mrs. Fred. Tibbs, who is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Norwood. Covers were laid for twelve guests.

Miss Corinna Whitlow left this city Wednesday enroute to Ellensburg to visit relatives for several weeks.

Mr. Wesley Samuels was the host of an informal card party at the home of his parents on Monday. Miss Corinna Whitlow and Mo. Norwood won the highest honors.

## LAND OF THE SKY NEWS—ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Special to The Freeman.

Miss Ethel Proctor, an Asheville product, who has studied abroad, a beautiful singer, is at home spending her vacation. Miss Proctor who is a great singer, started her musical career in Asheville some years ago. Mr. J. H. Hamilton was her first teacher. She then went to Cincinnati, Ohio, where she studied for two years and from there ta Europe, where she finished. Miss Proctor is now one of the leading vaudeville actresses on the colored stage. Miss Proctor and her playing partner are called the Dainty Duo. She and her partner, Luke Scott, are now posing for the Lubin Moving Picture Co. in Florida. They are playing with the Billy King Stock Co. While in the city her church gave a Japanese carnival. Mr. J. H. Hamilton insisted upon her singing a selection each night. She sang some very high class operatic selections and was forced to respond to many encores. By special request she sang a familiar comic love song and the audience simply went wild. Miss Proctor was to appear August 25, 26, 27 at the Y. M. I. Auditorium in a concert given by the Y. W. C. A. but her manager wired her to come at once. Owing to an important engagement she was unable to assist the local talent in the concert. She left Asheville for Jacksonville, Fla., August 25th. Mr. Ryans and several of his friends were also disappointed. They were just planning to assist her in the recital.

Mr. Tom Scott, the boy with the funny feet, is also spending his vacation in the city. Mr. Scott made a big hit while playing with Cooley Smart Set Company. He wishes to let his many friends know that he is well and is spending a very pleasant vacation in Asheville.

The ball given at the Masonic Hall August 17th, by W. R. Ryans and Wm. Jordan was well attended. Visiting buds to the city were out in full bloom and they were good to look upon. Many visitors from Charston, S. C., attended the ball. Refreshments were served and all had a nice time.

Miss Jennie Jones, who has been a visitor to the city for several weeks, has encouraged many of her home friends to come to Asheville and spend a few days. Miss Jones' home is Shelby, N. C., a very enterprising little city.

Miss Fannie Mae Pratt, of New Berry, S. C., has decided to spend one more month in the countains.

Miss Mabel Giddins, of Chattanooga, Tenn., is a visitor in the city. Miss Giddins is a graduate of Talladega Institute.

The invitations are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Moses Davis to Miss Annie Parborough, at St. Paul Presbyterian church, Lewisburg, N. C., September 2, 1914. The reception will be held Friday, September 4th, at the Y. M. I. Auditorium.

Wedding bells will soon be ringing for another marriage. Guess who?

Mrs. Eliza Ryans, of Newberry, S. C., has arrived in the city to spend a few weeks with her son.

Mr. J. Latt O'Neal, business manager of the Y. M. I. boys' minstrels, will soon announce the date when they will make their annual appearance at the Y. M. I. Auditorium. Mr. O'Neal says this will be the greatest minstrel the boys have ever given. Prof. Tom Scott, of Cincinnati, Ohio, will assist him.

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## NORFOLK, VA.

Miss Lenora M. Scott, of 708 Bermuda street, Norfolk, Va., had as her guests on Thursday evening, August 28, during the Elks convention, W. S. Gibson, D. W. Parker, T. Titus Brown, William H. Casey, W. H. Coleman, C. W. Truehart, Eugene Ruffin, Jessie Wynn, Frank Wheaton and others. An elaborate dinner was served in the beautifully decorated dining room and as the culinary art evinced the occasion was one of merriment and a social success.

Mrs. Emma Wright and little granddaughter Alberta, and Mrs. Sarah Dowdy, of Winston-Salem, have returned home after spending a few weeks with Miss Lenora M. Scott, Mrs. Wright's daughter.

## DETROIT, MICH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Oscar C. Rhodes, of 305 Macomb street, Detroit, Mich., gave a farewell reception to his mother, Mrs. Harriet Spencer, who, after a three months' vacation, returned to her home last week.

Mr. Alexander Coleman, of Springfield, Ohio, attended the G. A. R. encampment at Detroit, Mich., last week, being the only colored veteran from that city, and was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Rufus Peake, 10 Sherman street. He returned to his home Thursday morning much satisfied with his trip.

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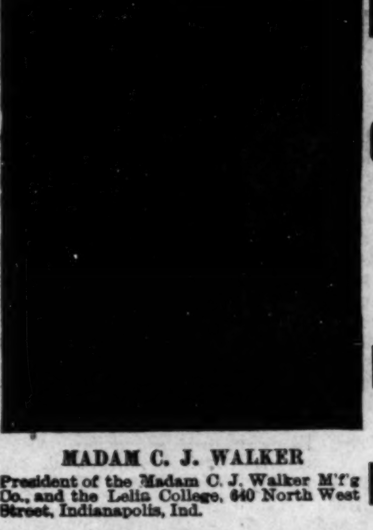

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The Dr. Booker T. Washington "segregation theory" will be better appreciated when better understood.

Senator Borah, of Idaho, was in the city last week, helping to launch the Republican campaign. He was good and careful in what he had to say, as if he knew the "terrible need."

J. E. Moreland, D. D., L. L. D., who has conducted so many Y. M. C. A. financial campaigns and with such brilliant success, is mobilizing his forces at Pittsburg. It is thought the enemy will capitulate.

Messrs. Beveridge and Roosevelt are now paying their political respects to Indiana. They make a fine team, all right, and if there were room for their party they would whoop up things. As it is, the Progressive party hasn't a single advanced principle to set forward. When one votes for that party he does so because it is possible to do so.

And after all, it is seen that the capital "N" has not always been withheld, the initial letter of "Negroes," out of pure meanness. There has been an honest difference of opinion—a reasonable difference of opinion. Our own race is getting together on the name as a term of racial distinction. We can't see anything for the white brethren to do but to capitalize our chosen distinctive name.

Major R. R. Jackson, who made the Legislature of Illinois on the Republican ticket last year, has been again nominated; together with A. H. Roberts. Owing to the unusual political mixup this year, including the peculiar popularity of President Wilson and Ex-President Roosevelt, there is no telling what their prospects of election are. It will be remembered that Major Jackson made it last year on a recount.

According to report, another stalwart Negro has fallen. This time it is W. R. Pettiford, the well-known banker, of Birmingham, Ala., who passed from this life a few days ago. Mr. Pettiford was a very estimable man, held so by all who knew him, and especially by those of his immediate community. He was among those who founded the Penny Savings Bank of Birmingham, which institution he served as president until about a year ago. He enjoyed wide popularity as a banker. When referring to such institutions his name was always among those first mentioned.

The following strange note, supposed to come from Clarkesville, Tenn., is seen circulating about:

"Lee Warner, 17, white, was shot and killed by a mob of Afro-Americans after it was alleged he assaulted a colored girl. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide."

We say strange note because it is so unlike our people to do anything of this kind. It may not be the truth. We rather think that it is not, for, if so there are those who would be making a fuss about it. There was a time a few years ago, when lynching was at its height, when an occurrence of this kind would have been mighty salutary, as wrong as it would have been.

In this day, when lynching is about gone, we don't need any retaliation. The law should be given a chance, at least, to see what it would do. We are no more in for Negroes rising up en masse to punish white assaulters than we are in for white people doing the same thing. This is especially true since we find the situation so much changed, and in the Negro's favor.

The many friends and acquaintances of Col. Allensworth throughout the country will be shocked and pained to learn of his death, which came to him as the result of a frightful accident in Monrovia, Cal. The report has it that he was run down by a motorcycle ridden by two persons, a tandem which was going at a very fast clip. Both legs and one arm were broken. He suffered a fracture of the skull and also internal injury. Col. Allensworth founded the colony of "Allensworth" of that State after his retirement from the U. S. army, in which he was chaplain. He was appointed to the position in 1886 by President Cleveland while the Colonel was in charge of a Baptist Church in Cincinnati, Ohio. His loss is deeply mourned in his colony, where he moved as a father among the people. The Negroes of California are deeply touched by the sad happening. His age was against a recovery, which might have been possible in a younger man. Thus he passed from among those who loved so much to honor and revere him. The best is being said of him by those who knew him best.

Elsewhere in this issue will be seen news matter from New Orleans calling attention to the headway made as the result of the Railroad Days suggested by Dr. Booker T. Washington. The result indicated by the notes is, at least, progress. Note three says: "The arrangement with regard to meals for our colored patrons, now in effect, seems to be satisfactory to them, which is to serve the meals in the dining car after the white passengers, or, if requested, to send the meals to the coach or sleeper." This arrangement gives the colored patrons the choice of being served in their own coaches or to be served in the dining car after the white patrons have been served. This is as satisfactory as the conditions warrant. But we think it would be more satisfactory if there were no option, no choice in the matter. Under the circumstances, the colored patrons ought to be served in their own coaches altogether, rather than be compelled to be served after others. In service, as menials, the master of the home has the right to dictate the terms for his household. In public affairs we should have as much spirit of independence and racial equality as possible. The greater independence and equality would come by a complete separation in the instance.

If we are correctly informed, here is what Dr. Booker T. Washington said:

"Why seek to live in sections where you are not wanted? Instead of doing so, live in those sections where you are wanted, and make such sections as beautiful, or more so, than those from which you are excluded."

The educator is having some uncomplimentary things said of him because it is thought that he meant to excuse segregation. Dr. Washington is a Negro and humane. We will not think of him meaning anything that the best of us would not mean. This publication has also called attention to the thing of getting rid of the necessity for segregation, or the supposed necessity, and the race can stand much of this kind of lecturing. Our advice was not a surrender; it was merely in the interests of fortification—getting ready to withstand assault. Really, we aid in the matter of segregation in our very determined effort to get away from one another. A white gentleman was heard to say during a school controversy in a certain city: "If your people do not care to have your teachers teach your children, pray tell whose children will they teach?" This is the same thing, even if different. It meant sacrificing the race by abandoning it, and, pray, who will care to take us up? We think that Dr. Washington wishes us to do the best, to put our best foot front, to let down our buckets where we are, and thus increase the total race efficiency by way of respectability.

## "OLD DOMINION" DRY.

The "Old Dominion," the State of Virginia, went dry this week by a great big majority. California is making a great effort to do the same thing. The election is but a few weeks off. Times seem to be out of joint for the liquor folks. They, however, have a way of coming back—vide Kansas, Maine and some more. Honest regulation, we think, is the most satisfactory thing. Prohibition can do very much along the line of endeavor, but it can not keep a determined man from getting a drink. The immorality, if at all, is not in the drinking, but in the excessive drinking, which means personal debauchery and ruined homes. However, in communities of most drinking, these things are but incidents. The great mass moves on sober enough in spite of the groggeries. This sober mass, however, the men, are not above taking a drink—if not in the saloons, then from their private stock at home. Temperance is the thing, real temperance, rather than prohibition. No man that drinks thinks of stopping drinking on account of the laws if he chooses to drink. He merely stops drinking publicly. The scrutiny of the law, of course, greatly reduces drinking, but the scrutiny can not prohibit. The very poor man is the only one who really "suffers" for the want of a drink. He can not buy it by wholesale—can not buy a whole bottle. In fact, prohibition laws are virtually laws of discrimination against the man who has only ten cents at a time to pay for a drink. We know that the laws "make out" that they try to prohibit "importation" of the stuff in dry districts. The very men who make these laws are the best customers of the package—the mail order business.

## THE MOUND BAYOU BANK.

It seems that those financial concerns in which Charles Banks, of Mound Bayou, Miss., has figured so largely are considerably involved. For many years Mr. Banks has been cashier and the leading spirit of the Mound Bayou Bank. This institution has been held something as a pioneer among banks by colored people. It has enjoyed a good reputation all along, greater, perhaps, than the limited locality warranted. Mound Bayou is a distinct Negro city, founded by the well-known Isaiah T. Montgomery, who is also associated with the bank. The management has always been ambitious. But the locality has no natural advantages such as to insure thrift among its people. As we understand, it is situated far inland, depending solely on the railroads for transit. No mines of coal or iron to speak of are near. The section is purely agricultural, thus lacking that zestful impulse known to manufacturing communities.

There are many white communities similarly situated, and most of them similarly lag, and this seems especially so in the South. The rivers seem a necessary adjunct, not to speak of the mines, if they loom up largely in the affairs of men. Travelers having visited that city have not been favorably impressed as to its opportunity to make good. Much, however, can be said of the zealous work of Mr. Banks, Mr. Montgomery and a few of their associates. They tried hard to give the town the necessary impetus. They did more to advertise their community than the leaders of the other Negro cities. Both Messrs. Banks and Montgomery attended the National Business Men's League when it met in Indianapolis a few years ago, in company with some of the bank directors. They talked Mound Bayou incessantly; they put Mound Bayou on the map. They followed the meetings from year to year, especially Mr. Banks, who was an executive member of Dr. Booker T. Washington's executive board of the National Negro Business League.

Their recent venture, the $100,000 cotton mill, we suspect, was most too gigantic for the little community. It had to be financed. We are not so sure of the source of the money. We know that a bank examiner of the State of Mississippi found it necessary to close the bank a few days ago pending investigation of its affairs.

As if this blow was not sufficient, according to report, the Masonic Benefit Association, the largest Negro fraternal insurance concern in the State, of which Mr. Banks is president, is also hopelessly involved. The information has this:

"The defendant concerns are Negro fraternal insurance organizations, and Commissioner Henry announces that he has started a general house-cleaning in the Negro insurance business, with a determination to put out of existence all concerns that do not settle their claims and carry out other pledges to policyholders.

"The Masonic Benefit Association is the largest Negro fraternal insurance concern in the State, and its president, Charles Banks, of Mound Bayou, is recognized as the foremost leader of his race in this State."

The affairs of the insurance institution are set out in detail, also that of the United Reformers of America, which are in a similar condition, closing with this:

"The Masonic Benefit Association owns a tract of land near Jackson, worth about $6,000; a 1,000-acre tract in the Delta, valued at perhaps $20,000, and it is understood that its president loaned certain funds to an oil mill at Mound Bayou."

## CAPITAL "N" FOR "NEGRO."

An usual effort is being made, at this time, to have the white publications of the county to use a big "N" for "Negro" instead of a small one that is so generally used. At Muskogee, Okla., during the meeting of the Negro Business Men's League, the management of one of the papers of that city was so impressed with the occasion that it voluntarily confessed a sin of omission by agreeing to use the big "N" from that time on. This was considered quite a concession, and in view of the sturdy effort to refuse the race recognition in the matter it was.

However, as things should be the Muskogee white journal conceded only what was due. If the word Negro stands for a class of people as French, English, German, Spanish, and Italian do, then it is plain enough that those who persist in refusing to capitalize the initial letter of the word mean to make small of the race. There are those who insist that "Negro" is a common name, just like "horse," "cow," "dog" or "pig." If they conscientiously believe this, of course, they are excused from the accusation of contempt.

We do not feel called on to make those who use the small letter see their error. The old song goes, "Those convinced against their own will are of the same opinion still." We see a difference between the class of common nouns mentioned and the term "Negro." We admit that "Negro" is not so clearly a name of distinction as "English," "French" or "German." This, because there is no such a race of people as the Negroes—no one such race—the name applies to all native Africans south of that northern tier of states, Egypt, Morocco, Algiers and the rest of them. There may be also a few other exceptions. There are scores of races among the natives referred to, and as distinct as the races of white people referred to, as it concerns their language. These African races have tribal names, and which, perhaps, best answer what our squeamish friends call proper names, and thus demanding the initial capital letter.

Looking at the question in this way we must confess that in the minds of the most learned and thoughtful there would be room for doubt. However, it is not from the viewpoint of academic disputation that the capital "N" is generally denied altogether. The present general use of the word Negro in application to the various "true" negroes as one race and their blends, it seems to us, ought to justify the use of the capital letter.

It will be remembered that literature, words, terms, and soforth, are built; words are coming and going; they are not an uncompromising something. The common usage—the best usage is to what we appeal, and not a dogmatic something said many years ago. To read Chaucer and Spenser today one must have an interpreter if he would understand all they say, and just as surely as he would need one to understand what a Fiji Islander says. Shakespeare is getting further away from us everyday. It means that **language is not fixed**; nothing excepting the dead languages. They are safe from change simply because they are dead.

And because of the lack of our unanimity as to the use of the word, we should be charitable to the white journals who persist in calling us Negroes with a little "n". It is only recently that we have, ourselves, conceded that the term Negroes was a respectable enough name for us. We, many of us, stood out for "Afro-American," "Colored-American," and such rose-water cognomens that were considered preferable to "Negro," since they were void of an element of offense which the latter term seemed to carry. It is not necessary to speak of why "Negro" was a bit offensive. In short, it was due to its supposed derivative "Nigger"—a word made ugly by what it was made to imply and stand for.

We can think of the matter charitably because of the changing word—its changing meaning. The word is evoluting—impressing both the minds of the Negroes and the white people that it is doing so; it is becoming more respectable, and because we more respect it. We have pushed the theory hard that there's nothing in a name. The common names, Mary and Anna and Betty, are most beautiful when applied to beautiful, and beautiful acting persons. Watch it.

We believe that in time the white journals will all get in the habit of capitalizing the initial letter in "Negro" just as the "Outlook," the "Century Magazine," the correspondents of the Associated Press, and various other publications are doing.

## GREENVILLE, TEXAS.

### What's oing in Society, Church Circles and Schools.

Mrs. Panzie Conner is very ill at the home of her brother, J. C. Culberson, on East Henry street. .. Mr. Will Dillingham had a very serious accident happen to him, getting his feet scalded at the Texas refinery. It will lay him up for several weeks. .. Misses Eunice and Veda Holt of Phillips, Okla., are here visiting their brother, Mr. W. A. Brigham, on East Mill street.. .. Jodie and Bobbie Tycer left Tuesday for Nashville, Tenn., where Jodie will enter Fisk and Bobbie will enter Meharry Medical College. .. Mrs. A. B. Culberson and son Joe have returned home after a stay of a month in Oklahoma. .. Mrs. Debby Collins, who was reported as being so low last week, died Wednesday, Sept. 16. She leaves six childen and a host of friends to muonr her untimely death who have our sympathy in this sad hour. .. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Whyte were in Dallas Monday shopping. .. Mrs. Maria Garnett is convalescing. .. Mr. and Mrs. Bird Sorrell are happy over the arrival of a fine baby girl Sept. 13. .. Mrs. Lillian Prince is convalescing. .. Mr. Sam Hunt has accepted a position with the Greenville oil mill. .. The home of Mr. J. A. Wallace, which was painted and decorated by Mr. William Matthews, is one of the prettiest in the city. .. Little Thelma Gattlin is suffering from an ingrown toenail. .. Mrs. Mollie Loyd went to Long View as a delegate to the Royal Knights of Jacob's Grand Lodge, and from there to Ft. Worth, where she spent two weeks with relatives, and has now returned home. .. Miss Birdie Lee Thomas of Jefferson is in the city and will spend the winter with her uncle, Mr. Jerry Lee, on East Hemphill st. .. Miss Gertrude Houston has returned from Gilmer, where she visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. Brown. .. Miss Willie May Blackwell of this city was married to Mr. Willie Hudson of Marlin, Tex., Sept. 19. .. Mr. Walter Dedmore of East Marshall st. is very sick with bilious fever. .. Mrs. M. L. Nelson of Mrs. A. D. Key's undertaking establishment has returned from Dallas, where she took a course in embalming and in November she will return to Dallas to take the state examination. .. Rev. H. C. Rylie filled his appointment at Campbell Sunday. .. A large delegation is attending the Baptist Cypress Association at Commerce this week. .. Mr. W. A. Wright received a sad message of the death of his sister, Mrs. M. Jefferson, of Marshall, Tex. Mr. Wright left on the first train to attend the funeral. He has the sympathy of his many friends in his bereavement. .. The public schools of the city are increasing in attendance. .. Mrs. J. H. Johnson of San Antonio is in the city for a two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. J. C. Gattlin, on East Division street. .. Last Friday night there was an unusual occurrence created by an unknown party, who appeared in the dark and gave the sign to the boys that he had some "red-eye." Quickly the boys took the tip. The party succeeded in disposing of several quarts of what he called dripping spring, and after the purchasers made an investigation they found that they only had a 10c bottle of vinegar, which they had paid $2.00 fgr. As a result a big chase began to receiver their $2.00, with the unknown party in the lead. Hatchett grew weak from the burden of disappointment and fell out, but Bob Duncan was long and tall, and said, "I will catch him for us all." But after several blocks of chase the party took refuge in the graveyard, and as a result the boys returned, saying they didn't care to disturb the dead. However, they would not be outdone, for they all said they had of fun and they would take their vinegar and make pepper sauce. .. Mr. Elmer D. Williams left Sunday night for St. Louis. .. Mrs. Goldie Hudson has returned from a two weeks' stay with home-folks in South Texas. .. Rev. L. H. Crawford left Monday for Hawkins, Tex., and took with him Charles Collins, John Hollingsworth and Willie Simpson to enter Jarvis' Christian Institute. .. You will have to hurrah if you want The Freeman for a $1.00 a year, as there is only a few days left in September. Read The Freeman and get the news. On sale at the box office of the Pastime theater.

## GRAND TEMPLE OFFICERS.

### Pilgrim Sisters of the Holy Cross.

(By Z. L. Breedlove.)

Nettie L. Davis, Grandmother Superior, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Eva T. Dean, Past G. M. S. and D. S. M. S., Champaign, Ill.

Amanda Jackson, Grand Sister Superior, Lafayett,e Ind.

Callie Cleveland, Grand High Priestess, Indianapolis, Ind.

Ary Carter, Grand Secretary, Champaign, Ill.

Frances Newby, Grand Treasurer, Danville, Ill.

Ida Carter, Grand Sergeant-at-Arms, Champaign, Ill.

Mary Clay, Grand Messenger, Indianapolis, Ind.

Carrie Vance, Grand Herald, Danville, Ill.

Nellie Roberts, Grand Lecturer, Danville, Ill.

Carrie Taylor, Grand Organizer, Lafayette, Ind.

Ada West, Grand Inner Guard, Gary, Ind.

Ada Goins, Grand Outer Guard, Indianapolis, Ind.

S. J. R. Peters, Grand Father Adviser, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Dr. O. L. Ballenger, Grand Medical Director, Indianapolis, Ind.

Fannie Colley, Captain of the Drill Team, Danville, Ill.

Grand Lodge Trustees: Louanna Riley, chairman; Mamie Thompson, Estella Parker.

Finance Committee: Margaret Nickens, chairman; Ida Biggs, Hattie Carey.

Miss Mary A. White and Mr. Fred Griffin were married Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the home of her mother, Mrs. Ella White, 603 North Poplar street, in the presence of sixty guests. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. M. Owens, pastor of Salem Baptist church. Miss May Koonce acted as bridesmaid and Mr. Henry Williams as best man. Refreshments consisting of pressed chicken, stuffed olives, bread and butter sandwiches, ice cream and cake were served. Mr. and Mrs. Griffin were the recipients of many beautiful presents. The young people will reside at 110½ N. Market street. .. Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. William Morris, 110½ North Market street, the Household Ruth No. 2370 gave the bride-to-be, who is a presiding officer, a reception. She was presented with a water set, pair of white blankets and bedspread. Friends presented her with linen, table and kitchen ware and bric-a-brac. Household No. 496 presented a beautiful table cloth. Ice cream and cake were served to twenty-five guests. Guests of honor were Rev. and Mrs. Simon and Rev. J. M. Owens. .. A. M. E. church—In the morning Rev. Simon spoke on "The Church Must Keep in Touch With Jesus." Sunday school had an attendance of eighty-seven. The presiding elder, Rev. A. T. Jackson, preached in the evening; the subject of the sermon was "God's Love." .. Miss Clara Gibbons of Peoria is here visiting her cousin, Mrs. Harvey King, at her residence, 703 North Elm street. .. Mr. David Dean was called to Tiptonville, Tenn., last week on account of the illness of his sister. .. Don't forget the Freeman and Chicago Defender is on sale at 32 N. Hickory street. Get one and keep posted on the progress of this rising race. .. The Crisis for sale by the Freeman representative... Mr. Arthur Moss is attending the Building Labor International People's Union of America convention that is being held in St. Louis, Mo.

## BRUNSWICK, GA.

On last Monday, Sept. 14th, Mrs. Margaret Shaney of 1318 Stonewall street, passed away. Mrs. Shaney has been sick about 12 months. She was the mother of Mr. Paul Shaney of this city, Mr. D. W. Shaney of Savannah, Ga., Mr. W. W. Shaney and Mrs. E. J. Whitehead of Rockford, Ga. .. Mrs. Richard Trisvort spent quite a nice day outing at Bellvester, Ga., last week. .. The Merry Widow Social Club gave a dance at Pitts hall on last Wednesday, Sept. 16, with music furnished by Keith's Orchestra. They certainly had some time. The orchestra is playing all the latest music. The orchestra consists of Miss Clara Bell Tatnall, piano; Mr. Butler, violin; Mr. Allen Franklin, cornet; Mr. Judge Nelson, bass; Mr. Will Cuspert, trap drum, and Proylor Keith, clarinet. It will do you good to hear these few get together. .. Mrs. Ellen Dennis of 801 Howe street is still sick at her home. We wish her a speedy recovery. .. Try a copy of The Freeman and see what some of your race is doing. You will be surprised to see your own people doing as our white brothers are doing. Try a copy and you won't regret it. Mr. Praylor Keith of 1704 Cochran avenue will be glad to serve you. Nuf Sed.

## GULFPORT (MISS.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. M. C. Kirkling has returned to the city after an enjoyable vacation spent with relatives and friends at various points in Tennessee and Alabama. .. The greatest union revival of the year, held at St. Paul's A. M. E. church, is nearing a close. The pastor, Rev. B. S. Williams, has proved himself one of the greatest pulpit powers that ever came to the coast. His convincing and overwhelming sermons swept men and women alike in the wave of religious confession. Rev. A. J. McNair of the M. E. Church; Rev. Roston, of the Baptist Church, and other local ministers rendered yeoman service and preached able sermons. .. When you want to hire a good horse and buggy or an up-to-date automobile, call on Mr. E. R. Page, Thirtieth avenue, corner Railroad. Telephone 292. .. Rev. R. T. Sims, D. D., pastor of Mt. Bethel Baptist Church, arrived in the city Saturday. Dr. Sims attended the National Baptist Convention at Philadelphia, Pa., and expressed himself highly pleased with its proceedings.

## LOUISVILLE WHITE SOX TO PLAY HERE NEXT SUNDAY.

### American Giants Win from Gunthers—Pete Hill Knocks a Three-bagger and Bring in Three Men—Wade Pitches an Excellent Game and Is Ably Supported—Pete Hill Acts as Captain and Manager While "Rube" Is Away—Many Ladies Present—Several American Giants With the White Sox—Great Battle Between the Two Teams Next Sunday—"Rube" Challenges the Federal Team.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

Special to The Freeman.

CHICAGO, Ill., September 21.—Every fan is awaiting breathlessly for the arrival of the White Sox team here next Sunday. They are scheduled to play the American Giants. "Rube," Lloyd and several other players of the American Giants are with the team and they are coming with blood in their eyes to capture the honor from the "home team." Mr. Foster has been in Louisville for several weeks putting the finishing touches on the Falls City team, and it is said they are in tip-top condition and the determined to wear out the American Giants. Wickware, Lloyd, Petway and "Rube" will be on the Sox team, and the Old Roman is going to show his ability as a baseball artist by taking another team and beating his own men. Captain Pete Hill does not believe he can do it. He says, with Barber at first, Watts behind the stick, Wade with the pill and Booker at first, he has no fear. The coming of the Sox with a double header will no doubt bring out one of the largest crowds of the season. Box seats are now ready for purchase.

## GIANTS WIN FROM GUNTHERS.

### Pete Hill, $10,000 Beauty, Hits a Three-Baser and Scores Three Men—Wade Pitches Great Game.

The weather was ideal and the sun was hot. The grandstand was half-filled with Gunther fans and they cheered their boys lustily until the sixth inning, when there were three men on base. Captain Pete Hill then came to bat and knocked a triple, which decided the game between the American Giants and the Gunthers, the score being 6 to 2 in favor of the Giants. The score:

| GIANTS. | H | O | A | E |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Barber, ss | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Hill, cf | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Duncan, rf | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Monroe, 2b | 1 | 4 | 4 | 0 |
| Gans, lf | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Booker, 1b | 1 | 8 | 1 | 1 |
| Francis, 3b | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Watts, c | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| Wade, p | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | 10 | 27 | 9 | 1 |

| GUNTHERS. | H | O | A | E |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wiesner, ss | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Schuler, 2b | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| Hutton, 1b | 0 | 7 | 0 | 1 |
| Geiser, lf | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Th-mling, 3b | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Jacobs, c | 0 | 8 | 2 | 0 |
| Mettler, rf | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Slager, cf | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Hicks, p | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Totals | 7 | 24 | 13 | 2 |

Am. Giants .....1 0 0 0 4 1 0 0 *—6
Gunthers .........1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0—2

Runs—Barber (2), Duncan, Francis (2), Wade, Schuler, Mettler. Two-base hits—Geiser (2), Francis, Barber. Three-base hit—Hill. Double play—Monroe to Booker. Struck out—By Wade, 8; by Hicks, 5. Bases on balls—Off Wade, 1; off Hicks, 3. Umpire—Fitzpatrick. Time—1:50.

## THE A. B. C.'S TAKE TWO OUT OF THREE—BEAT FOSTER'S GIANT AGGREGATION.

The American Giants, of Chicago, defeated the A. B. C.'s Sunday at the Northwestern Park, 9 to 3. The game was much better than the score indicates, five of the Giants' runs scoring on short hits with the infield drawn in. The batting of Foster and Powell featured. Score:

Giants ..........0 0 0 3 0 2 0 3 1—9
A. B. C.'s .......0 1 0 0 1 0 1 0 0—3

Two-base hits—Foster, Bennett, Gordon, Jenkins. Home run—Foster. Double play—J. Taylor to Hutchinson to B. Taylor. Stolen bases—J. Taylor, Norman. Sacrifice hits—Brown, J. Taylor, Hutchinson. Bases on balls—Off Johnson, 2; off Wickware, 2; off Williams, 2. Struck out—By Johnson, 2; by Wickware, 8; by Williams, 1. Hit by pitcher—By Wickware, Gordon; by Johnson, Jenkins. Innings pitched—Johnson, 7; Williams, 2. Hits—Off Johnson, 8; off Williams, 4. Passed balls—Petway, 2. Time—1:59.

## THE BATTLE OF THE SCEOND DAY.

### A. B. C.'s Hammer Ball.

The A. B. C. club defeated the American Giants Monday in a slugfest, 12 to 10. The feature of the game was a home run by Jim Taylor with two on. Score:

Am. Giants ....2 0 5 1 0 2 0 0 0—10
A. B. C.'s .....2 0 0 5 1 4 0 0 *—12

Two-base hits—Hutchinson, Brown, B. Taylor. Three-base hit—Jenkins. Home runs—Bennett, Jim Taylor. Stolen bases—Jim Taylor, Hutchinson, Scotland. Struck out—By S. Taylor, 3; by Jenkins, 3. Hit by pitcher—Jim Taylor, B. Taylor. Passed ball—Powell. Umpire—McCarty.

## ON THE THIRD DAY.

### The Second Time Down Got the Same Dose for Rube When He Comes Back.

The A. B. C.'s made it two out of three games from the American Giants of Chicago, defeating them, 7 to 4, at Northwestern Park Tuesday. The feature of the game was the pitching of B. Taylor. Four hits, one good for three bases, an error and a base on balls gave the local champs five runs in the seventh. This is the second time Bowser's club has defeated Rube Foster this season. Score:

Giants .........0 2 0 2 0 0 0 0 0—4
A. B. C.'s .......0 0 0 0 2 0 5 0 *—7

Two-base hits—Shively, Bennett 2, Cooper. Three-base hit—B. Taylor. Double play—DeMoss to Lloyd. Stolen base—Petway. Bases on balls—Off B. Taylor, 3; off Foster, 5. Struck out—By B. Taylor, 8; by Foster, 4. Umpire—McCarty.

The Freeman is being widely read in Chicago—it is the newiest paper hereabouts.

## DICK AND GERTRUDE STRUFFIN AT THE NEW CROWN GARDEN, INDIANAPOLIS—AN ACT FULL OF FEATURES.

Dick and Gertrude Struffin do an act that is full of features, entertaining features. The lady is especially versatile. She is blessed with a fine big voice, which she uses to good advantage when she features the song "Summer Moon," with pictures. Then, again, she looms up in her dramatic bits. While they are meant to help out the comedy of the male partner, they show up a nice dramatic ability. She gives that ghostly feeling when she does this number, making a splendid straight, and of a different kind.

Gertrude Struffin is physically fine, which, with her good, effective costumes of generous folds, makes for a striking stage personage. Her speaking voice, like her singing voice, is strong, commanding, musical. She has the qualities for a great dramatic actress or a tragedienne.

Their first number, "Take the First Train Back," was nicely done, accompanied by the usual movements. However, Dick Struffin's movements are not usual; he is eccentric in movements and steps. He shines as a comedian when replying to the bright sayings of his partner. He gets in his work and has the house in an uproar. He shines especially when he sings "I Am Going Right On Tending to My Own Business." It is full of sense and fun. He puts it over in good style. The song is his own composition, and singularly enough he stands for it by way of principles. He says, "If all the sisters and brothers would do that and not knock, they would be better getting on in the show business." The act was well received throughout.

## GIBSON'S NEW STANDARD THEATRE, PHILADELPHIA.

One of the rare types of men is the musical comedy comedian, for a genuinely funny player who can sing and dance and who can make himself generally liked, is in great demand and is generally a star. At Gibson's New Standard Theatre this week such a candidate for stellar honors was to be found in Mr. Simms, of the team of Simms & Thompson, who took the part of an end man in the Honey Bunch Minstrels. Simms made every line that he spoke have its fullest value and he was deft and facile in his antics and was always delightfully entertaining. Others who helped to entertain were Miss Stark, who sang "Just for a Night; Chicken Jones, "The Greatest King"; Mr. Thompson, "That Band"; Rose Thompson, "Baby Lew." Several other acts on the bill were in high favor. The Nellie Winfrey Duo, The Barriers, expert wire acrobats; Gray & Robinson, who danced the tango well; Grace and Chineesa Walker, and The Russells, who sang and danced, and caught the crowd with their pithy sayings, and won considerable applause.

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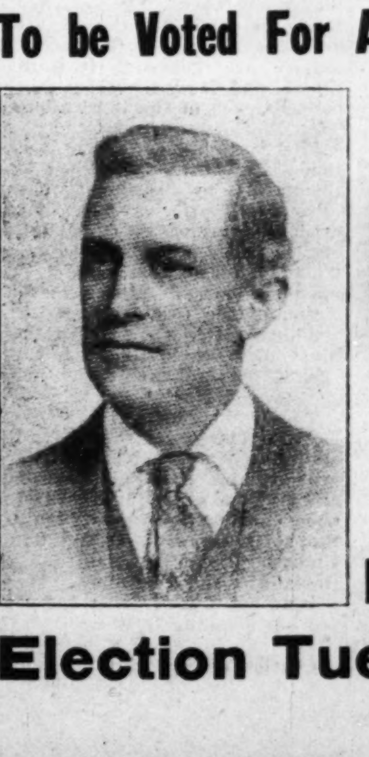
I shall give to the people's business the same careful attention I have always given to my own.

To be Voted For All Over the County.



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FOR

County Commissioner

Second District

Republican Nominee!

Election Tuesday, Nov. 3

STAGE GOSSIP
J. B. DAVIDSON

Elizabeth VanClay is playing the Gaiety Theater, Greenville, N. C.

Terry & Terry are playing the Gaiety Theater, Greenville, N. C.

Tribble and Smith were at the Lyric theater, Indianapolis, this week. They had fine success.

Bledseaux & Lee, in "The White Wing and the Postman," are at the Pekin, Norfolk, Va.

J. H. Anthony of Anthony's Black Oddities and Vaudeville Company, called on The Freeman this week.

Harry Jefferson is still in Wilson, N. C., playing at the Globe. He sends regards to Florida Blossoms bunch.

Fred W. Simpson of the "Four Brass Men" has recovered from an operation for appendicitis. He is at 312 West Fifty-ninth street, New York.

Willis H. Bygram, "Mysterious Tramp," will be seen this season with the old act but has made a change. He says, H. H. Puggsley, write.

Leon, The Magician, is still playing in the state of North Carolina. Doing fine. He would like to hear from all friends. Address General Delivery, Greenville, N. C.

At the Boston theater, Roanoke, Va., Liston and Jones are making it all right. Ike Bradford, the piano player, is still here. Someone says, "Hello, Froglegs."

Davis & Walton, the two musical boys, made a decided hit with patrons of the Howard and Chelsea theatres during their two-weeks' engagement in the Capital. They return in six weeks to the magnificent new American.

Thomas A. Brooks and The Follies of 1914, owing to change of route, will not play Philadelphia and Newark, but will play at the Prospect Theatre in New York City, week of September 28. They are in Pittsburg this week at the Academy.

Anita Wilkins, the sweet singer, passed through Indianapolis last week enroute to her home at Peru, Ind. She is just in from a singing tour in the West, where she had great success. She will soon be heard at the Crown Garden theater.

Washington and Piper are taking a much-needed rest in their own little home on Lookout Mountain, Tenn. Address them in care of Josephine Deal. Washburn says that he wrote Mule Bradford a special to the Monogram, Chicago.

Trixie Colquitt Butler had a successful week in Washington. Went big at the opening at the Idle Hour Theatre, Petersburg, Va., week of the 21st and then return to Washington. She will join her old friend, the Mexican Kid, after her engagement closes. Regards to all.

Jas. Crosby, the tall talker, has closed with Culligan and Hockwald. He has joined hands with the very clever young comedian, Walter Neely. The team will be known as Crosby & Neely. He sends his best regards to friends. Open at the Ruby, Louisville, October 5th.

Billy Arnte united with Leon W. Marshall's Happy Days in Dixieland Show. Everything is all O. K. and says watch the Freeman. The company sends best regards to all in the profession, and wishes to hear from all friends. At North Vernon this week; at Glasgow, Ky., next week.

Williams & Stevens, after a week's engagement at the American Theatre, Washington, D. C., closed their summer show. Some of their people are going to the Sparks Amusement Company and others home and to other companies. Williams & Stevens this week at the American in vaudeville for a while.

The Lone Star Stock Company, after closing a ten weeks' engagement at the Dixieland Theatre, Charleston, S. C., will open at the Lyric Theatre, September 21st, for a long run. The company is under the direction of Pete Porter. Everybody is well and sends regards to friends in and out of the profession.

Prof. R. Roy Pope was a caller at The Freeman office Saturday, Sept. 19, having left the Ringling show at Evansville, Ind., to pay a two days' visit to his wife, grandmother and friends. He returned to the show at Louisville, Ky. He reports everything is lovely on the world's greatest and wishes to be remembered to Professors P. G. Lowery, James Wolfscale and L. K. Baker.

The Two Weavers, Eula and Jule, after spending six months on the Pacific Coast, are headed East. Just closed a very pleasant engagement at the Boston Theatre, Long Beach, Cal. Now playing around Los Angeles. Week of the 28th, Coliseum Theatre, Phoenix, Ariz., and then into Denver, Col. Booked solid, three consecutive days, Albuquerque, N. M. They say they are after us to go on the "Big Time," but we are for a "hundred and six bits"—dream! We hope to qualify for the Dudley Circuit next season—Realization! Regards to all friends and the Smart Set bunch.

COLORED MEN
Wanted to prepare as
Sleeping Car and Train Porters
No experience necessary. Positions pay $65 to $100.00 per month. Steady work on stand-railroads. Passes and Uniforms furnished when necessary. Write now
Inter-Ry. C. I.,
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## THE NEW CROWN GARDEN THEATER, TIM E. OWSLEY, PROP.

At the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, this week, Sellman & Jackson, the Wilson Trio, Dick and Gertrude Struffin, and Horace George. Mr. George shows fine ability in the use of his various instruments. He introduces his work in a pretty literary effort styled, "I Am for Music." Dick and Gertrude Struffin gave an entertaining act of variety. The Wilson Trio are good singers collectively and singly. Sellman & Jackson are Crown Garden favorites. Both have splendid voices. For her kind of singing, Miss Jackson is not excelled on the stage.

## LOOKING SELLS-FLOTO OVER.

The Sells-Floto Shows were in Indianapolis last Monday. Among the attractions is Prince Mungo, labeled from the Luzon of the Archaepelago of the Philippines. He is a cracker jack attraction. The side show, which is under the management of W. P. Campbell, is different, but good. Mlle. Somebody is there with the big snakes. The Bayrooty Family do some difficult things with guns and swords. And the female Bayrooty does a dance that nearly puts one in a trance. Al Hutchinson, the great, big white minstrel, blackface, was the funniest ever. He was so true to some of our race characteristics that it made some of the colored onlookers mad; they rolled their eyes at him. But he was funny for all that. Then the sweet little levitation girl, who was seen running about in the tent, chatting with first one then another, was next seen suspended in the air unattached, so far as the audience could see. She was proud of her job. Prof. Hart, ventriloquist, did some good entertaining with his wooden-heads. The strong man, the smooth man, was a hard nut to crack. He was a "comed."—funny as well as skillful in getting out of bolts and bars. All he does gets past the average understanding. If there's a system of untieing, tieing, its all right at that. A man with such a memory, if that is what it is, ought to be well paid as an example of the utmost possibility of mankind. There were a couple of small monkeys that acted a bit too human to suit my fancy. They were male and female and were dressed as such, and were infatuated with one another. I think I have mentioned the whole outfit as I meant to do, since I got to see them gratis. In dealing with the 101 Ranch Show, I forgot to mention the great big fellow. I owe him an apology. I tender it now. Oh, yes, there is about fifty colored men and boys with the Sells-Floto Shows. They are what might be called roustabouts. They do the stake driving and pulling, getting the white tops in order. There is not much quality to them, but there's quantity, Lord knows. I said so to myself, and mentally thanked Mr. Sells-Floto, or whoever he is, for being so considerate, in that he employed so many of my people, even if they did look like street Arabs.—Billy Lewis.

## PROF. EPH WILLIAMS' FAMOUS TROUBADOURS.

### Notes From Prof. Eph. Williams' Famous Troubadours and Silas Green Company.

Silas Green Company still retains its popularity as being the largest, best, and most prominently known of all the colored amusement enterprises that travel the Southland. This stupendous aggregation, owned and managed entirely by Prof. Eph. Williams, whose experience and keen insight of business, stamps him as one of our race leaders and without a doubt has no peer in his chosen field. The comcompany numbers fifty people, ten head of stock, and two private Pullman cars, and is now entering "Good Old Georgia."

Prof. Williams and his son, John, attended the auction sale of the Thompson and Vandiveer Co., in Cincinnati, September 2, and purchased a large new waterproof canvass theatre seventy foot round top with two thirty-foot middle pieces, and have ordered through Mr. Driver, of the United States Tent & Awning Co. of Chicago, new red and blue side-wall with new red and white marques, making this the best outfit of its kind traveling.

Our performance never failed to elicit unstinted applause from both white and colored patrons everywhere. Our tent was filled to standing room only at Knoxville Labor Day.

The Great Adams continue to be a big hit. Rebecca Redmond, our clever Eva Tanguay, featuring "Get Out and Get Under," and "Some One Is Coming to My House," brings down the house when she "takes her trip."

The entire company send regards to all friends. Jesse Reeves, trombonist, and Frank Hopkins, baritone, are playing in our band concerts.

## AT THE AIR DOME THEATRE, COLUMBIA, S. C.

We all are going good each night. The clever bunch consists of J. Lester McDaniels, Miss Gonzell White, The Hillimans, Miss Minnie Hackless and Wm. James, who is producing a good show each week. The manager and owner, Mr. Geo. Lyons, is very well pleased with my shows each week. May stay all winter. Friends write me, Wm. Jones (Spareribs), stage manager Air Dome Theatre, Washington street, Columbia, S. C.

# Chicago Weekly Review

By Sylvester Russell.

## "THE CHIMES" ENRAPTURES AT THE STATES THEATRE.

### The Orchestra Charms—Notable Pictures At All the Houses.

The most appropriate entertainment offered at any of the houses last Sunday was "The Chimes" at the States Theatre, a most beautiful picture story with incidental music. The scene was repleted in pastoral splendor and embued with vivid charm, but relentful in tragic domain that was full of human sacredness of admonition. The overtures by the orchestra were truly art embellishments that appealed to the ear as the pictures did to the eye. The violin painting of Frank Tate and Edward W. Bailey, Jr., pianist, whose representation of "The Chimes" were an artistic feature worthy of mention.

FRANK TATE,
Violinist States Theatre.

Of the other houses, the Lincoln, also of the Dalkin Enterprises, had the "Law of the Lumber Jacks" and Clarence Jones' Orchestra. The Phoenix had "When we were Young," an American story which drew well. The Fountain was well filled. The Alamo did nicely. The Star had "The Convict's Son," and the Washington had "Warfare in the Skies."

"The Chimes."

Hark! Hear those bells,
Those pealing bell
Of liberty;
The Sabbath bells,
And wedding bells
Of ecstasy;
Those solemn bells,
Those chiming bells
Of sancitity—
Those Heavenly Chimes,
Of mournful times,
That toll the soul is free.

### The Grand Theatre Changes Hands—An All White Singing Show Marks the New Regime.

The rumor that the Grand Theatre Amusement Company had leased the theatre for ten years to Ahren & Johnson, theatrical managers, who control ten other theatres in the city and book on the Western Association time, created no little interest in vaudeville circles, owing to the fact that an all-white show opened on Monday night to poor patronage of both white and colored. The bill presented was below the average attraction at this house. The American Beauties consisted of fine scenery and finely dressed dancers, an Oriental musical comedy with a black-face comedian, was only fair. Cherry & Malone were triple bar artists, and George Yooman was also on the bill. But the stars, if any, were Fiske & Fallon, the lady a fine opera singer. The last half of last week had Art Elmore, in "The Bull," a good dramatic sketch with too much intensity. Charles & Sallie Dunbar were good in mimic comedy. The Lawrences were fair, Kennedy & Mac and the Five Yoscarys amused. The song publishers' contest, managed by William Spillard, had Harry Meehan, of the LaSalle Music Company, who won. Others were Barley Trio, of the Shapiro Company; Howard Snyder, of the Will Rossiter Company; James White, of the American Music Company, etc.

### New Monogram Changes Policy—Jones, Russell & Jones Head Big Five-Act Bill.

Archie Jones, the talented comedian, did a straight and his wife served as a fascinating damsel to introduce Sam Russell, a new black-face comedian from the South of youthful development. Russell is a good droll comedian and made a hit with his original eccentric dancing. Karl Dryden was another feature, in his lyceum work, singing, reciting and playing the cello. Butler & Johnson duplicated their Grand Theatre success. Sidney & Perrin and Goldie Crosby gave one of their musical sketches. Perrin, as the country boy, was well liked and Miss Crosby's song, "Its a Good World After All," attracted. John Gertrude, one of the best comedians, and Miss Price, a fine rate singer and shouter, were sharers on the bill. The shadow lights were slow in shifting and the stage management lazy.

### Mule & Jeanette Bradford At the Monogram—Wonderful Legs Owens Prevails.

Mule Bradford, the most nervy actor on record, and his wife, Jeanette, were the high players of this week's bill, as Mule is popular and talented, and his wife is attractive. The Owens shared honors with Mule. Wonderful Legs Owens is a willow legged comedian who is really funny, and in spite of his injected knees, he is a good dancer and his wife gave satisfaction. Frankie Barton and her "picks" were good, and Rockpile Johnson had good songs and talked well in a lonesome single George Smith, the famous trap drummer, has retired from this house, much to the regret of his friends.

### Stage Notes and Stroll News.

"Leon" Robert Long, the magician, will end his Southern tour in September. He will probably appear in Chicago, where he is popular, about the last of October.

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Mrs. W. H. Hamilton, of Indianapolis, recently visited the city to see her lady friend off en route to California.

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Madam Rosa Lee Taylor mourns the loss of her mother, Mrs. Payne, who recently died at Provident Hospital after a serious operation for cancer.

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Moses P. Taylor, of Louisville, Ky., has been in the city on business. He expects to open a vaudeville theatre at Louisville at an early date.

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Carita Day has announced a closing sale at her shop in the States Theatre building. She is closing out to later move down town. She came to that conclusion after having discovered that most of her trade was white people.

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The Tuxedo Club of Chicago, Charles Boddie, president; John W. Davis, vice-president and secretary, with limited membership, will give a banquet about October 7th. I am informed that Sylvester Russell will be the guest of honor and will be asked to address the club. I have reason to appreciate such honors, for an example and a moral for others, rather than myself, especially in Chicago, where people have such little respect for people who respect them and who do beneficial work for the public.

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When E. G. Gaither, the retired theatrical manager of Cincinnati, O., arrived in town with his wife, formerly Lizzie Wallace, the actress, I greeted them at the Elite Cafe in company with Henry (Teenan) Jones and W. H. Skinner, where we indulged in a couple of bottles of champagne at Mr. Gaither's expense. On last Saturday evening I was invited for a drive with Mr. and Mrs. Gaither in their big touring car. We took in the New Monogram at 9 p. m., and Lizzie Wallace that used to be expressed her delight of Tolliver & Chappell's act, and we both declared that it was too classy for colored vaudeville and ought to be on the "big time." Mrs. Gaither, as the actress is known in private life, has permanently retired from the stage, to be listed with the rich and grand.

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The letter published two weeks ago by Butler & Johnson that Lewis & Lewis were doing their act is emphatically denied by George Lewis, who writes his own songs and sketches. Their act at the Monogram last week was entirely different from any other.

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Matt Marshall & Billy Cumby opened on the Western Vaudeville time September 20th. They will be at Bloomington next week, with Springfield and Decatur to follow. Frank Hubert, a young advance agent, complains that he did not get his salary with the Down in Dixie Minstrels. The Pekin Theatre is closed.

## DAVID A. LEE'S THEATER, BOYNTON, OKLA.

Special to The Freeman:
E. C. Coleman and Edna Coleman, formerly of Golphin-Coleman Players, are still on E. D. Lee's circuit, playing this week at David A. Lee's Theater, Boynton, Okla. Coleman & Coleman Coleman, our character artist, made his second attempt to do black face, which proved a success to himself and audience. His parodies outwitted a score of song writers. Little Edna Coleman cleaned with Harry Vontilzer's latest success, "Don't Go Aaway," even the audience was sorry when she did go away. Mr. David A. Lee just sits back in the box office and skins um back and says, "Ish ca fret." Regards to those in and out of the profession. Gonzel White write. Joe Golphin don't let me catch you napping.

## NOTES FROM WOLFSCALES' BAND WITH BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS.

We are still in the Golden West and meeting with much success. Every one is enjoying the best of health and send best regards to friends. Quite a few visitors to the show in Los Angeles—Mr. Rebel Spikes and Ed Wilson and others. George T. Montgomery, comedian, joined us at Los Angeles. He sends best regards to Sydned Kirkpatric and Whitney Viney, of Richmond, and Pringle Minstrels. The plantation show is still getting its share of the large daily crowds, and the company, under the stage management of Foosty Moore, furnish plenty fun. The boys say Bill Carr, cornet player, must have an iron lip this season, the way he stings the high ones. Robert G. Scott is still with the greatest on earth, playing as much clarinet as ever. Mr. Montgomery is featuring "Cross the Mason-Dixon Line," and "Sailing Down Chesapeake Bay." Frank Holt is meeting with success singing "Camp Meeting Band" and his eccentric dancing. W. B. White, comedian, sends best regards to Bennie Jones, of Richard & Pringle's. Mr. Bennie Stratton, bass player, will winter in Chicago this winter. He sends regards to Prof. Jas. Harris. While in San Francisco Prof. Wolfscale had a large photograph taken of his big band by McHenry, the most prominent photographer in the city. This is the first photo that has been taken of the band this season. Prof. Wolfscale sends best regards to the profession. James McDonald, trombone player, who has been with Prof. Wolfscale for four seasons, will winter at his home, Buxton, Iowa. Troy and Roy Wolfscale send best regards to Prof. Jas. Harris, of Gollmar Bros. Show.

## THE J. C. ROCKWELL SUNNY SOUTH COMPANY.

At this writing we are touring Canada in the state of Ontario, city of Winchester. Tonight the house was packed to its capacity, not even standing room was available, and we are playing to this kind of houses every night. Everybody is making good. Cherokee Thornton, the comedian for the show, with Newal Morse and others, is still making 'em set up and take notice. Edith Harrison, as Pearl, looks charming in her evening dress in the parlor scene and never fails to attract. Gladys Brooks has a decidedly sweet, musical voice which must not be left unattended to. Leontine Washington is blooming out to be quite a soubrette, singing "Camp Meeting Band" with success. She has her braids down in the back now and she does not bend over any more when she sings her song. And maybe Tiney Walker isn't some trap drummer. The boy is O. K., but he must bring me a drum head; single head will do, for Joe Dixon's Orchestra. But when it comes to Prof. C. B. Milton's Band, with Herbert Wilder, the sensational trombone player, and Cherokee Thornton, the only sensational symbol player in the country. Really, Tiney, you must bring me another drum head for the band. Lawrence Glover, the slack-wire artist, has canceled his trio, at least he has canceled our stage manager out of his act. He has decided to keep Lem Creesy to pass him his things while on the wire. He does not need Mr. Turner to stand in the wing with a broom ready to sweep up broken lamp globes any more, because he has that lamp trick down to a T. In fact, the only way Mr. Jim Turner could hope to get back with the trio is for the globe to fall again. But all hopes are gone, because Mr. Glover has his globes fastened on with bobwire and if it drops at all it won't break. Well, he should worry; everything is lovely. Midget Boyd's roll-over stunts in her buck dance contest on the plantation is good. Their act is still going good in every place. Lem Creesy certainly can hold some stage while he's trying to buck dance in the contest. Oh, well, nothing beats a trial but a failure, and say, Creesy, don't overdo the thing when you're asking Otis R. Beanson for the dollar the last time. Give the audience a chance to hear what Otis is going to say. Mr. Louis Turner takes encores every night, singing "When Aunt Dina's Picaninnies Harmonise." Mary Lord don't ask no body any odds about the steps in the chorus now. She's there now. H. S. Wooten couldn't fine his whiskers the other night and had to go on without them. Wooten, you certainly was a sad looking parson then. Rafael Abrias, the violinist, in every town we visit is taken for anything but a pig, but is a pure duck.

## CINCINNATI, O., THEATRICAL NEWS.

(By Special Correspondence of the Freeman.)

Another smile of the weather controller gives us a delightful Monday night to open the strongest bill presented at both houses that has been seen in weeks.

### The Pekin.

The bill opened with the best and invincible individual specialists in their line, Gulfport & Carrie Nugent, the girl with educated feet, a dancing phenomenon. This mated pair of entertainers were received as deserved, setting a pace for the followers who made good under the disadvantage.

Jones & Gray, brand new to the audience and following the above named feature act. Slim Jones is a peculiar type of comedian, resembling String Beans in makeup, but "oh so different, a good, clean comedian. He was ably supported by an extraordinary singing female. Miss Christina Gray, although her song was sung by another actress, rendered the piece with such talent that it was soon forgotten. The other performers had used it. This act will make good anywhere.

### The Lincoln—Alonzo Moore.

This devil of phantasy opened his "exhibition" with a grandeur stage setting that was enhancing. His gold stands and elaborate curtains seemed the only befitting scene for this prince of wonders to perform his feats of black art. The eyes of everyone were strained to catch some flaw or clew as to how he could manipulate these peculiar gilded balls that would appear and disappear at his will, bringing forth ripples of applause and wonder, then with long implike strides back and forth across the stage he introduced his banquet of mysteries from his awe inspiring sleight of hand he moved to the mystery of the casket of Balsamo, which, with a hypnotic flow of language astounded and caused uproarous and riotous conduct from the audience. Then mysteries of mysteries he candidly takes hoards of silver dollars from the person of different people in the audience. Mr. Moore is positively the best magician traveling on the road with largest stock of rabbits, ducks, chickens. His paraphernalia makes his baggage look like a small circus coming to town, instead of an act in vaudeville. He is positively the best attraction than can be secured. In him we have secured another Thurston or Kellar. He spoke of his many friends in the profession and asks that his regards be sent to Chase Moore, of the Ten Dark Nights, and Charles C. Collier, of the Smart Set Company, and all friends can find him at the Booker T. Washington Theatre, St. Louis, September 28th.

Alice Ramsey, a creation of no one knows who, for her conception of decency is small, a September Morn exhibition, is out of place in a legitimate amily show house and many comments were made that will damage the house whose lucid perception allowed this. Her singing was good and, but for the wardrobe, this act could have been reported good. The stock, with a nice show to work, lost some of its prestige in throwing the bang of burden on the comedian, Clifford Ross, and reducing his support, George Taylor, to such a menial part as to make him absolutely alone. It is the first production in many years that showed any weakness, though each individual members worked hard, the staging was faulty. The opening chorus opened the hostilities, inflicted Miss Millie Williams showed courage, Edna Barrett did her best, Lew Kenner, in the Chinaman, showed unfamiliarity with the character, but the show made good under difficulties.

Harry Howard, Pekin employe, is down with the lumbago.

Frank Polk, while standing in front of the Pekin, argued with his friend, a butcher, about the high cost of living. On being accosted as to how he was doing, he said: "Child, you won't let me eat; I am living on breakfast foods."

The Beau Brumel of Fifth street, one "Johnson," received a gold watch from his grandma. He will leave shortly for New York. The girls will be in Texas. "There goes the ice cream and pop," but he will be back.

The century episode in Covington, Ky., drew many Cincinnati boys over the river last week, and this week all the girls from over there are in Cincinnati. What is coming off?

The elite of society must be careful of these joy rides. A hint to the wise is sufficient.

N. C. Wing was a visitor in our city this week from West Baden Springs. He was the companion of O. J. Dempsey on several occasions.

Lucy Shepard, who is the Pekin permanent entertainer, is on the sick list this week.

Miss Lizzie Wallace, who was married to our wealthiest colored man in this part of Ohio, has everything that heart can wish—a maid, two automobiles and a loving husband.

Clay Price, the traveling newspaper man, while rummaging in and amongst the hustling Freeman's papers, found a mysterious letter from Chicago with a well known actor's name in it. She suggests quitting the show business and accepting this manager's hand in marriage. If that occurs, Pinkie, let me know you've got a chance to get married.

Kinkie Doo housekeeping in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. Thomas Nobly Gales, now stage manager of the Lincoln Theatre, has received an offer of the management of a house in Dayton, Ohio. We wonder what house?

Chapman & Furguson Musical Comedy Company is in Newport, Ky. Nina Marshall is directing this show.

Mr. Al. Paris, well known citizen and fraternal man of Cincinnati, O., had a good time in Pine Bluff, Ark.

The new on the Klein & Dudley Circuits are making good. Let them stop playing favorites and give us the new faces.

J. B. Cullen, of the Colored Aristocracy Minstrel Company, now showing in Middletown, O., visited the Pekin and the Lincoln Theatre.

## NEW ROYAL THEATRE, ASBURY PARK, N. J.

This new and handsome fire-proof building, composed of pressed brick and stucco exterior, and finished inside in a color scheme of triple mahogany, is proving to be the center of popular attraction on the coast. The building is 33x120 feet and seats 500 people on the main floor and balcony. Mr. A. C. Fletcher, of Newark, an Afro-American gentleman who believes in race pride, is the sole owner of the house, which is classed with the handsomest houses in the East. Mr. Frank Oakley is his business assistant, while W. Frank Patterson looks after the production and advertising end, also all scenery and decorations. Mr. Patterson, in six weeks, has been producing great programs free from vulgarity or suggestiveness. Everything is produced on a scale of richness and crudeism is not tolerated by either the actor or the audience. The house is positively run on the very highest plane and the public likes it and it calls for good acts.

In just six weeks such acts as White & Hawkins, Alexis, Abysinnia Trio, McKissich & Shadney, Little Edgar Connor & Cecil Mann, VanValin, one of the greatest musical acts, The Greers, The Griffin Sisters, The Hudsons, The United Whitman Sisters, Mable, Essie, Alberta, Alice, Thos. Rastus, Sam and Aaron played to 8,684 admissions in six days and scored big on the second week. The past season has been a dull one but the New Royal has proved a financial winner and a popular resort of amusement for the general public, and the management of amusements have established the positive proof that acts can work clean stuff and win, while the audience will gradually be composed of the better class.

## WHAT'S WHAT ON THE S. H. DUDLEY CIRCUIT WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21, 1914.

Washington, D. C., S. H. Dudley Theatre, Lew W. Henry, Manager—Martin & Motley Stock Co.

Howard Theatre, Andrew J. Thomas, Manager—Gray & Roberson, Walker & Johnson, Morton & Dean, Coline Sisters.

Chelsea Theatre, D. Gentry, Manager—Bailey & Green.

Richmond, Va., Hippodrome Theatre, W. J. Coulter, Manager—Davis & Walton, Taylor & Taylor.

Roanoke, Va., Boston Theatre, C. L. Andrews, Manager—Gaston & Jackson, Mamie Vaughan.

Norfolk, Va., Globe Theatre, Leslie Louis, Manager—Murphy & Walker.

Danville, Va., Columbia Theatre, W. A. Donlevy, Manager—Robinson & Russell.

Lynchburg, Va., Ford's Theatre, R. F. Johnson, Manager—Jones & Liston, Clarence Chase.

Wilmington, N. C., Lyric Theatre, Morris Whippler, Manager—Patterson & Godfrey.

Wilson, N. C., Globe Theatre, H. B. Davis, Manager—Hill Sisters.

Wilmington, Del., John Hopkins' Theatre, John Hopkins, Manager—Tom Brown and other acts.

Pittsburg, Pa., Star Theatre, Abe Minsky, Manager—Hendricks & Lee, Jones & Gray.

Detroit, Mich., Vaudette Theatre, C. L. Dudley, Manager—The Warfields, Hugh Turner, White & Jordan.

Indianapolis, Ind., Crown Garden Theatre, Tim Owsley, Manager—Sellom & Jackson, Dick & Struffin.

Columbus, Ohio, Crown Winter Garden, Billy Smith, Manager—Owens & Owens, Massengale & Crosby.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Lincoln Theatre, Marion Brooks, Manager—Alonzo Moore, Alice Ramsey.

Louisville, Ky., Ruby Theatre, James H. Price, Manager—Johnson & Johnson, Wells & Wells.

Washington, D. C., American Theatre, Thomas & Dudley, Managers—The Jubilee Girls, The Lavarnies, Williams & Stexens, Original Rags.

## NEW YORK AND EASTERN NEWS.

By Billy E. Jones.

At Baron Wilkins' Cafe, 2275 Seventh avenue, New York, the entertainers are Tony Donavan, Cora Green, Lulu Coleman. The piano player is Fred Lanstall. Harry Elliott handles the traps. Robert L. Murray is manager.

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At Woods' Cafe, 2161 Fifth avenue, New York, first-class cabaret show every evening, introducing the latest song hits.

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The Brooklyn L Overture Dining and Tea Rooms, 122 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn. Music and high-class entertainment daily. On visiting this unique restaurant one is supplied with all the good things that go to make life happy. Only one of its kind in Brooklyn. F. Claude McKay is proprietor.

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Cook & Stevens are at the Warwick Theater, Brooklyn.

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Crumbley & Glass are at the Lincoln Square Theater, New York.

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Charles E. Johnson, late of the original team of Johnson & Dean, and Josephine Deen, Europe's greatest singing and dancing colored prima donna before the public, made their first American appearance as a new team September 7 in Brooklyn and completely carried the house by storm. A sensation from start to finish and the best matched pair of colored singers in the world.

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Jones & Graham scored a big hit in Newark, N. J., presenting their blackface specialty last week, and were offered a return engagement.

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## JACKSON, MISS.

Mr. Joe White was in town, enroute with the Rabbit Foot Company, shaking hands with friends and I must say the Rabbit Foot show was the best played here this season. We have had a number of other good shows here, but none compared with the Rabbit Foot Company..

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## ROUTE.

Prof. A. A. Wright's Company, with Sparks' Shows—Lincolnton, N. C., Sept. 28; Rutherfordton, Sept. 30; Shelby, Oct. 1.

## ROUTE.

"His Excellency The President," S. Tutt Whitney—Tulsa, Okla., Sept. 28; Muskogee, 29.

Prof. P. G. Lowery's Co., with Hagenbeck-Wallace Shows—Ft. Scott, Kas., Sept. 28; Parsons, 29; Vinita, Okla., 30; Muskogee, Oct. 1; Tulsa, 2; Bartlesville, 3.

Richard & Pringle's Minstrels—Prince Albert, Sask., Canada, Sept. 28; Rosthern, 29; North Battleford, 30.

Alabama Minstrels, E. L. Erickson, Mgr.—Watonga, Okla., Sept. 28.

Prof. Roy Pope's Band with Ringling Bros.' Shows—Norfolk, Va., Sept. 28; Rock Mount, N. C., 29; Goldsboro, 30; Raleigh, Oct. 1; Durham, 2; Winston-Salem, 3.

Prof. L. K. Baker's Co. with 101 Ranch—Norfolk, Va., Sept. 28; Portsmouth, 29; Suffolk, 30; Elizabeth City, N. C., Oct. 1; Washington, 2; Greenville, 3.

Huntington's Minstrels, J. W. West, Mgr.—Alexander, La., Sept. 28; Bunkie, 29; Marksville, 30.

Prof. Wolfscales' Band with Barnum & Bailey Shows—Ft. Worth, Tex., Sept. 28; Dallas, 29.

W. A. Eiler's New Orleans Minstrels—Kingman, Kans., Sept. 28; Harper, 29; Attica, 30; Alva, Okla., Oct. 1.

Leon W. Marshall's Royal Entertainers—Glasgow, Ky., week of Sept. 28.

J. Lubrie Hill and Darktown Follies, Clarence W. Logan, Mgr.—American Music Hall, Chicago, Ill., week of

## LETTER LIST.

### Gentlemen's List.

Austin, Phillip
Austin, W. H.
Blake, E. W.
Booker, Johnny
Campbelle, Edgar
Clermont, Ernest.
Dumas, T. H.
Daniels, Willie
Davenport, Willard
Forby, Clifford.
Fisher, L. L.
Fountroy, W. H.
Godfrey, L. E.
Hightower, Chas.
Harris, Lewis
Irwina, Warren.
Johnson, A.
Jones, Clayborne
Jones, Willie (Slim)
Jones, Billie
Jenkins, S. L.
Johnson, E. R.
Linzie, John
Lewis, James (Shorty).
Mady, E. J.
Masonas, John H.
Means & Means
McDow, Dude
Miller, Robert.
Maxwell, Leon
Nealey, Rastus
Porter, P. J.
Patterson, Wallace
Porter and Altom
Parker, Tommy
Phillips, William King
Rollins, John P.
Ramsey, Thomas
Reid, W. H.
Smith, Rex
Stewart, James
Tolliver & Tolliver
Tolliver, Alex
Two Sweet Billy
Taylor & Taylor
Taylor, Arthur (Rubber).
Williams, Alonso
Young, Bob.
White, Joe
Williams, Walter
Williams, care Savoy Shows

### Ladies' List.

Brannam, Rosetta
Butler, Mamie
Crampton, Pauline
Chandler, Nette
Davenport, Madie.
Davis, Mrs. Georgia
Godman, Miss Mary.
Hamilton, Mrs. Katherine
Harrison, Maggie.
Henley, Laura
Johnson, Mamie
Leggs, Miss Tressie
Jones, Miss Ola
Luster, Victoria
Lewis, Lillian.
May, Sweetie
Moore, Eva
Mack, Baby
Payne, Mamie.
Patterson, Kathrine.
Smith, Fannie
Stewart, Mrs. Charles.
Wesley, Nettie.
White, Evelin.
White, Mrs. Stella
Wiggins, Lena.

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Of the Season are in their fifth week at the S. H. Dudley Theatre, Washington, D. C. playing to crowded houses. People in the company are Edgar Martin, Ross Motley, Katie Jones, Rosetta Shanks, Daisy Brown, Hilliria Friend and Fred De Botts. Jimmie Johnson, Bus. Mgr.

# Seen and Heard While Passing

By Salem Tutt Whitney
With the Smart Set Co.

Marion Brooks, the well known playwright and manager of the New Lincoln Theater, Cincinnati, Ohio, and his clever and winsome little wife, Thresa Burroughs, were guests at a supper party given by Mrs. Nina Whitney and her mother, Laura Marshal. Others present were J. Homer Tutt, Blanche Thompson and yours truly. The entire Smart Set Company had a few hours off in Cincinnati while en route to West Baden Springs, Ind. They were made welcome at the Lincoln and Pekin Theaters and were highly entertained by the performances at each.

Mr. Prow is still the successful manager of the beautiful West Baden Theater. Mr. Prow is an old friend of the Smart Set, and the courtesy he extends to the company is appreciated by all.

Charley Rice and Mr. Waddy are in friendly rivalry for hotel honors in West Baden. Both are successful business men and have hostelries that are a credit to themselves and to the race. Members of the Smart Set Company were cordially entertained at both establishments.

Billy Nichols, well known minstrel man and vaudeville artist, has given up theatrical work and is now a fireman on the Iron Mountain railroad. Billy seems to enjoy his new work and looks the picture of perfect health.

### W. C. Handy, Composer of the Memphis Blues, the Man Who is Making Memphis Famous.

Not many persons outside of Memphis and vicinity may have a personal acquantance with Mr. Handy, but who has not been moved and thrilled by the peculiar rhythm and minor strains and cadences of the "Memphis Blues." Mr. Handy wrote the "Memphis Blues" just to please the people of Memphis. He sold it. Since then it has brought thousands of dollars to its purchaser. An enviable reputation to Mr. Handy and added publicity to the city of Memphis.

Mr. Handy is just at the meridian of life, pleasant and unassuming in manner, an interesting conversationalist with that lack of self-assertiveness that is peculiar to the true genius. He has been a close student of music for more than 30 years, was vocal director, arranger and bandmaster with Mahara's Minstrels, managing 60 men 17 years ago. He was also teacher of vocal and instrumental music at the A. &M. College, Normal, Ala. Mr. Handy has received complimentary press notices for his work as a director of music from the American, Cuban, Mexican and Canadian press. He has one of the most complete musical libraries owned by a Negro anywhere.

Mr. Handy's band is always in great demand, and he makes a specialty of featuring compositions by Negro composers.

When Mr. Handy wrote the "Memphis Blues" he builded better than he knew. He was censured by many for writing what they claimed was an inferior piece of music and greatly below his standard as a composer. It is a unique composition, having but twelve measures to a strain instead of sixteen. It's rapid increase in popularity everywhere makes it a psychological study and it is bound to become a classic of its kind just as the real Negro compositions of Will Marion Cooke, Scott Joplin and other Negro composers are now considered to be the only real expression of the Negro in music and the only genuine American music.

Mr. Handy is also the composer of the "Jogo Blues," "The St. Louis Blues" and many other pieces of merit.

## WHAT THE CRITICS THINK OF "HIS EXCELLENCY, THE PRESIDENT."

### The Smart Set Company Offers Novel and Entertaining Show.

That peer of all colored organizations, the Smart Set Company, appeared at the Wells Bijou yesterday and again pleased large audiences. This organization of classy colored entertainers profited by their success of last season, for they again attracted good sized audiences to the Wells. Last evening a good sized audiences occupied the first floor, while the balcony and galleries were filled with colored folks, who went wild over the antics and show dished up by the colored performers. The colored folks are sure hard workers and good songs and plenty of fun results. The book of the two-act musical piece, "Mr. President," is about the same as last year, new songs, dance numbers and a few new faces with a world of new costumes are noticeable this season.

Salem Tutt Whitney, the big droll comedian, is again in the lead and keeps the fun running riot. J. Homer Tutt, the beau brummel of the troupe, has more sporty clothes than ever and every five minutes he appears in some bright new togs that for color harmony can not be beaten. The chorus can sure sing, and in this line put other colored troupes in the shade. Every member is a cracking good dancer, and in individuals and ensembles set the audiences' feet tingling.

Blanche Thompson is still the leading lady, and with her good looks and fine soprano voice, is effective as the Spanish lady. Helen Clifton as Mandy Simpkins is a fine looking young lady, and in her acting and delivery of lines shows finish. Ethel Marshall, Greenbury Holmes, Hattie Ackers, Frank Jackson, Alfred Strauder and O. D. Carter are prominent in the cast and success of the piece.

The chorus is made up of good looking dusky belles, who, with the male chorus of good singers, are ever present in many changes of costumes and with their good singing help to put the show over in a classy manner.

There are eighteen song and dance numbers, and in the latter new stunts are most noticeable.

## THINKS OF THE SMART SET SHOW.

From the Arkansas Gazette, Little Rock, Ark.

The "Smart Set" gave even a better show than last year at the Kempner yesterday afternoon and last night. In fact, in the essentials of songs, ensemble numbers and an undeniably funny comedian, the show given by this Negro organization is as good as many given by high-priced companies. The song and ensemble, "When Your Country Calls to Arms," the chorus wearing the national colors and doing an intricate drill, was as effective as anything seen on the stage of the Kempner for a long time.

Salem Tutt Whitney has his usual role of an illiterate Negro persuaded to impersonate the president of Liberia, and J. Homer Tutt, as the smart city negro, makes an effective foil for him. Blanche Thompson has a well-trained voice and the same company of comedians that has made the company so successful is still with it, without a change as to the principals. Not only are the people all Negroes, but the book, music and lyrics are also by men of that race—all of which makes the performance the more creditable.

## STAGE NOTES.

Peat & Hayes are laying off this week in Baltimore, Md., visiting Mrs. Hayes' aunt and Ed F. Peat is having his eyes treated at John Hopkins' hospital.

The Gaiety Theatre at Greenville, has changed hands. The Tucker Amusement Company are the lessees. Mr. J. Q. Tucker, a wealthy business man, is the president and manager and the ghost walks regular. The house goes on Dudley time next week.

Dike Thomas and Henry Saparo opened the season August 24 at the Palace Theatre, Detroit, Mich. On the Loew's at the New Academy Theatre, Buffalo, August 31. Now at the Francis Theatre, Montreal, Can. Then the Family Theatre, Rochester, N. Y.

Little Seymour James enroute with Young Bros. Black Troubadours, sends regards to J. C. Miles, Happy Kimball and Freddie Pratt. Seymour and his wife, Mrs. Mary Adams, will be seen in vaudeville this winter. "Little Bit" says hello to Millie Williams, Rebecca Simmons and Mabel Davenport.

## BROUGHT THE MANAGER TO TERMS.

Headquarters 24th Infantry,
Camp McGrath, Batangas, P. I.

Special to The Freeman.

Just a line to tell how the race is fighting for rights and privileges even here in the Orient, as well as at home. The men of the 24th Inf. applied to the municipality for a license to conduct a first class dancing pavillion in the town of Batangas (one mile from the Post) and as they were colored and the main business man (white) of the town don't care to see a colored man in business, and also being the main voice in the council, why he blocked the application of the soldiers, which was found out by the men and as Mr. Montague, the man I refer to, is the owner of the wholesale liquor house, the ice and electric plant also the opera house, where he conducts a vaudeville and moving picture show, the soldiers promptly placed a boycott on all of his businesses and the town is absolutely supported by the soldiers. So the boycott struck hard. I came to Batangas to play a four weeks' engagement at the opera house for Montague, not knowing of the boycott, but the soldiers informed us of the boycott and asked me not to fill my contract with the white man, saying if we played at his theatre the soldiers, that is at least a part of them, would come to see us, thereby breaking the boycott and helping Manager Montague to hold out against the boyoott. So we cancelled our contract with him and played two weeks in the soldiers' hall at the camp. Then I suggested to the soldiers to get a theatre of their own. There being one vacant in the town, they obtained the lease of it and now have it for themselves and playing to S. R. O. every night. We played for them the first two weeks of their venture, refusing $75.00 per night from the white opposition, who had no vaudeville acts and could not obtain any, but we stuck with the colored company and to show their appreciation to us they gave a contribution benefit for us, which netted $130.50 and tendered it to us in the name of the Spanish war veterans. Well, the finish was the white man withdrew his objections to the dance hall and had the ordinance passed to allow the same, consequently the soldiers have gained more than they sought, for they have both a dance hall and a theatre of their own. Well, that shows us that we must unite and stick in order to achieve any success. Trusting you will publish this in the old reliable, I am, as ever, Yours globe trottingly, Hen Wise. Wise & Milton, Honolulu, T. H. Address there, as we sail for home Aug. 22d.

## NOTES FROM LITTLEJOHN'S SHOWS.

(By Squatnin.)

We are doing good business in dear old Tennessee enroute South. We would not go South so early but Hiram Orr says the show must go where the climate suits his clothes. We have one of the best plantations on the road. Geo. Riley, stage manager and end man. The following teams make up the company: Gentry & Gentry, Orr & Orr. Mrs. "Snooks" Riley is featuring "Kill that Bear." Miss Elsie Givins, our charming soubrette, is singing "Do That Bear Cat Dance." Little Miss Annie Porter is some dancer for a girl child and the original Kid Owens is a buck dancer and is some class (yes, Kid is sober). We have the famous Hiram Orr, as Eph and the inimitable Berry Burton (Buzzard) as Dinah. Mrs. Mary Orr our Southern nightingale, never fails to win applause singing "Last Night Was the End of the World," arranged especially for her by Silas C. Elliott. Our orchestra is a dream. Lem Clayton, violin; Andrew Hawkins, bass violin and guitar; Frank Hutchinson, trombone and soloist; Jos. E. (Shorty) Lewis, traps, and Silas C. Elliott, cornet and musical director. Mr. Thomas P., owner and manager. The best manager in the biz is always smiling and ready for Elliott and Gentry to draw when they can catch him. We would like to hear from friends through The Freeman.

## SHOW TALK IN DETROIT, MICH.

(By W. Kid Jines.)

Both houses seem to be doing nice business now the weather has changed up nicely, making it pleasant for theatregoers.

### The Vaudette.

Manager E. B. Dudley picked another bill from S. H. Dudley's orchards of fun, and to my surprise, it was an easy winner, each act on the same equality, no one a riot.

### Wells & Wells .

A lady and gentleman opened the show with a neat trapeze act, which, went fair on Monday night, the act would have went better but the patrons, thinking them white, is the reason, but I dropped in latter in the week and they were going better.

### Thomas Melton.

The musical tramp, as he is called, put over a new idea in music to the folks at this house. His act is out of the ordinary. He came second on the bill, and was well received.

### The Blank Sisters

Are two very popular young ladies in the theatrical world, each possessing nice voices. They are favorites at this house, and they could very easily close the bill, their Memphis Blues being the winner. Their wardrobe was excellent. Mr. E. B. Dudley has gone down South for a few days. From what I can understand about it, his father died and left him some big sum of money and real estate, going on E. B. His wife, C. L. Dudley is in charge while his absence from the city.

### The Arcade.

Pondixter and Jones, managers, of this house, are too easy for show men. They will never have a success, unless things change. They are great boys and I wish them success. Their bill this week fell below all expectations. It was not so strong.

### Anna St. Clair.

Opened the show, going fairly well; not as well as she did at the other house. I guess a different class of folks at this house. I think the managers and her had some words as to cancellation, but I see she continues to be on the job, naturally after you have made three shows.

### Sam Lyle.

Spotlight singer, with an excellent voice, but his dialect is not perfect. I have spoken to him several times about the accent of his words. He will understand some day.

### Gulfport and Nungent.

I cannot see what is the trouble with Gulfport. He is not what he used to be at all, and for Miss Nungent, she always has been noted as an A No. 1 dancer, but she is devoting her time to something else it seems. Their act was good, but for two people like these two folks, they should have been a riot.

### Jones & Gray.

Where on earth did you get a new act at so quick. I mean on such a short notice. However, Slim as he is called, was good. They went to work on Wednesday night, after being sent for to come, owing to the fact the bill being a little light. They went well as could be expected. The house went wild when they appeared.

Bot Howard is playing here. Some piano player, I think.

Fred Finly is the house officer. It seems as if everyone likes him, even though he is an Ofay employed by a spade, the crowd follows him nightly.

### With the Acts.

Tommy Carter is with Farrell Trio at the Temple Theatre here. He is the whole act, and it is a shame they don't put your photos out at this house. U. B. O. house, too.

John Pamplin is playing the Delray Theatre, Delray, Mich. Mack & Hoey, agents.

The Clarks are at the Elite Theatre, Flint, Mich., with Pontiac, Mich., to follow. Mack & Hoey, agents.

Lillard & Lillard are playing Mt. Vernon and Pt. Huron this week, both in Michigan, with the Family Theatre to follow, opening there Monday 21st, small time house. A. V. Smith, agent. They say the act is a good one.

Kid Jines, of Jines & Hill, has an awful bad throat. He was introduced to a little too much stimulants, working sometimes, not all the time though. Regards to all in and out of the profession. Per add. 294 Beaubien street, Detroit, Mich.

Johnnie Reddick is with E. B. Dudley now. He is acting as general house man. He will return to vaudeville soon. He is doing fine here. He sends regards to South street in Philly.

Miss Evethy Spikes, formerly with Charlie (Chicken) Jones, is taking some rest here. It seems as if her boat is anchored. She leaves for St. Louis soon.

### Cabaret News.

The Antione still in full bloom was the place last week, always good singing and music. Mr. Monday was at his best last week. Service excellent.

The Ellsworth is the place I forgot to mention last week, but is up to date in every respect. Will mention more in next issue.

The Hutchins, as it is called, seems to be doing capacity business now nightly. It should with Alfred Saul singing with that sweet voice of his. Then they are so nice and obliging there.

The Turf, the headquarters for everybody, is still holding its own, and will forever do so. Brock and Chick are managers of reputation and need no introductions. They have with them Howard Jeffery, a man who at one time was a reviser for Will Rossiter. Some singer. Monday is Turf day. Every lady will receive a present of some kind. This is the performers' rest.

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## NEWS FROM YOUNG BROS. BLACK TROUBADOURS.

(By Seymour James.)

The show is still in Missouri doing fair business. At Chaffee, Mo., we played at the Labor Day celebration, and we did good business. Prof. E. N. Calloway is still got the band, orchestra and stage, and he knows what to do with it. Mr. Ham Douglas, of Douglas & Gales, is working single and is over making good. His partner Miss Louise Gales, left for her home at Marshall, Mo., and also Mr. Augustus Bernard. Robinson & Robinson (Noah & Linnie) are still making good. Mrs. Ethel Fields is cleaning with "Real Moving Picture from Life." Mr. James Martin is still featuring songs on the streets and is doing straight. The Nelson Bros. (Elijah and Lamar) are still doing their musical act. This is a new act and is surely a drawing card. Mr. Noah Washington, our cornet player, is up now after being ill for a couple of weeks. Miss Sallie Jones is singing with great success, "Just for Tonight." Mr. Arnette Nelson is going to be some clarinet player. He just received a new clarinet from C. G. Conn. James & Adams (Seymour and Mary) are also making good. We all welcome our dear old Freeman every Monday. Noah Robinson sends regards to Harry Clark with the A. G. Allen's show.

## NOTES OF STETSON'S U. T. C. CO.

The past week spent in the coal regions of Pennsylvania, with good weather, has been both pleasant and profitable, as the old drama draws the young and old.

This season it is no more the big double spectacular, but is staged from an old script of fifty years ago, causing many changes from the modern version.

Messrs. Lee, Ascher, Brown and Wykoff made a flying visit to Philadelphia from Easton, Pa., Sunday the 13th.

Fred Bennett, an accomplished musician and band director, will be heard from next season with a colored concert band for the Washburn Shows and Carnival Co.

Baby Helen Dunn, a petite miss, who plays Eva, celebrated her sixth birthday at Shenandoah, Pa. She is in charge of her mother, Mrs. Helen Dunn, who the past summer has been leader and cornetist of the ladies' band on the Washburn Shows, closing there to join this company to play the part of Ophelia.

Miss May Howard by thrift and saving has purchased a home at Nutley, N. J., and has gone in a small way for poultry raising and now owns thirty fowls of the best breed.

Chef (Pop) Jefferson is an artist in his department, keeping all in good health and spirits by serving dainty but wholesome food.

Joseph L. Gordon uses his splendid bass voice with telling effect in the ensemble numbers.

Willie Wykoff is an excellent dancer coupled with a pleasant smile and clever work; frequently stops the show; demands from the audience for more.

Clarence D. Davis, caliope player, is featuring on his instrument "In the Valley of the Moon."

James H. Gray sends regards to all friends.

## SPARKS' SHOW.

This leaves Sparks' Show in the state of North Carolina. Everybody well and doing the same. Prof. A. A. Wright's minstrel show is one of the leading attractions of the side show. Miss Cleo Potett is singing "I Wonder Where My Lovin' Man Has Gone" with success. Miss Dorothy Burton is singing W. C. Handy's "Memphis Blues." This week with the St. Louis Blues to follow next week. Mrs. Sam Kennedy, "I Got the Rumitiz;" Mr. Peaterson, "Dangerous Rag;" Mr. Carter, "Just for Tonight." Mr. Sam Kenny just purchased another new brown front. Oh you chocolate drop Sammie. Mr. Carter has just put in an order for two new suits. Mr. Clarence Williams is playing in the orchestra now and says he enjoys it much more than being interlocutor.

## QUEEN DORA, NOVELTY ARTIST, HAVING GREAT SUCCESS.

Queen Dora, the novelty artist, is still on the Bert Marshall time in the State of Ohio. She has not lost one day in twelve weeks, playing white vaudeville, a feature act on all bills and a riot everywhere she goes. Dora was such a favorite in Mansfield, Ohio, that the manager of the Park wanted her for a return engagement to come back and close the Park for the season. She closed beautiful Luna Park Casino for the season of 1914. Week of 21st, Bijou Theater, Piqua, Ohio.

Regards to friends. Write me in care of The Freeman. I am working all the time.

## PEARL MOPPIN WRITES FROM RICHARDS AND PRINGLES' CO.

The show will be in Canada for several weeks. The bunch are doing nicely and send regards to all friends. Robert "Lippi" Miller wishes to be remembered to the Allen's Minstrels. Several of the boys were out to a social while at Thief River Falls, Minn. Mr. B. Stevens was the bright star on this occasion. B. C. Edwards, the skyscrapping tenor, and Louis Harrison, male soprano, are wonderful and put the final touch on all choruses.

## DECATUR, ALA., NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The C. M. E. church gave an entertainment in honor of Bishop Clever, last Friday night. A good program was rendered.

Bishop Cleves preached two great sermons, morning and evening, at the C. M. E. church.

Miss Jessie Steward, of Tuscumbia, spent a few days in the city to the delight of her friends. Miss Steward is one of the teaching faculty of the N. A. B. A., Courtland.

Miss Mary Boman, of Courtland, was in the city last week, guest of her sister.

Mr. George Player, of this city, was run over and killed by an L. & N. train last Sunday night. He was a substantial citizen. Was a member of the First Baptist church, also the Masonic lodge.

Miss Henretta Irwin has returned from Moulton, where she spent a pleasant vacation with relatives and friends.

Miss Daisy Fackler, of Hutnsville, stopped over a day last Friday, guest of Mrs. A. K. McMath.

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# FREEMAN'S SPORT NEWS FROM POLE TO POLE

UNRIVALED NEWS OF THE COLORED SPORTING WORLD

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## A STIFF BATTLE BETWEEN THE BROOKLYN ROYALS AND THE A. B. C.'S—ELWOOD C. KNOX WILL MANAGE JACK HANNIBAL IN A NEW ORLEANS BOXING BOUT—HOPING TO STAR JACK JOHNSON IN NEW ORLEANS.

(By Billy Lewis.)

When it became known over town that the Brooklyn Royals put it over the Indianapolis A. B. C.'s so hard it had a dampening effect on the hopes of those who figured on seeing A. B. C.'s toying with the various teams of the country and even vieing with the invincible Rube Foster's team for the first place among Negro baseball players.

True, the Brooklyn fellows hailed from New York. But what's in a name? This much: The name of him or those that have done things do inspire respect if not terror always. It is said that when Kilrain met the mighty John L. Sullivan he was white with fear. He was half whipped because of the lack of spiritual courage. The name New York has always been awe inspiring. If a performer —an actor—says that he is from New York, everybody sits up at once and take notice. He may not always make good; and failing, it is more calamitous than the failures of others not from New York. There are also other states whose people are expected to do more. We turn instinctively to the Bostonian expecting great things by way of intellectual culture. If he fails we are ready to turn up our noses unanimously. But where there is much smoke there is some fire. If New York has the reputation of doing good things it may be believed that it has done them, some good things at least.

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When the New York teams were scheduled to meet the A. B. C.'s the news attracted great crowds. And happily, the New Yorkers know how they stand throughout the country, consequently they prepare for what is expected of them. They take on the best men they can find.

Now with the preparation and the reputation, the visiting New Yorkers have whooped things up. Perhaps the ugliest defeat of the season which came to the local team came at the hands of the Brooklyn Royals.

The A. B. C.'s proved the superior team in the end, however, beating these visitors—taking three out of five games. It was that onslaught of Sunday 13 inst. that caused the sensation.

The score was 16 to 2. And as much as was thought of the favorable chance of the New Yorkers because they were who they were, it was not thought that they would pile up 16 runs. The A. B. C.'s ain't used to it. And the patrons weren't used to it. As may be expected, there are some people here that do not care any too much about the home team. When they got news of the "massacre" they thought our fellows were done for.

But the drubbing the A. B. C.'s got was good *for them.* They hung their head in shame for a day—the time before the next game. This was the following Monday when the A. B. C.'s won by a score of 7 to 2. But this was not 16 to 2. It was not sufficient that the A. B. C.'s merely beat the New Yorkers, they must somehow overcome that disgrace of 16 to 2.

It was a sort of campaign of vengeance. For as formidable as the New Yorkers' name was it will be remembered that the A. B. C.'s are contenders for pennant distinction. On the next day, Tuesday, they came to the field fully determined to obliterate that 16 to 2 feeling. They shut the visitors out. Score 3 to 0. On the following day the New Yorkers rallied winning by a score of 3 to 2. Thursday the A. B. C.'s again eclipsed the visitors 8 to 0, and as they felt, a necessary thing to do. So it will be seen that the home team has been restored to the affections of the fans. Love's labors was not lost.

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A few days ago this publication called attention to the organization of an athletic club in New Orleans, La., in which state a law was recently passed permitting twenty round exhibition boxing matches. Some colored men, among whom is the well known Walter L. Cohen, took advantage of the situation. They organized a club and are now prepared to do the thing usually incident to such organizations.

Indianapolis has long been known for its aggressiveness along all lines. The boxing business has kept pace. The colored boxers have become widely known for their ability as well as the white boxers. Mr. Cohen, knowing this, sent a telegram to this paper immediately after the organization of the club, inquiring after the Indianapolis talent, and the possibility of having some of the boys appear before the North Side Athletic Club, the name of the organization. Mr. Cohen preferred Jack Hannibal, the well known middleweight.

Hannibal was approached on the subject by Elwood C. Knox, manager of the Freeman. They came to terms. Mr. Knox has consented to act as manager for Hannibal. Arrangements to that end have already been made by Mr. Knox. Mr. Cohen, acting for the club, has set the date of going to New Orleans, which will not be later than Oct. 20. More definite date will be given in the near future.

Hannibal will meet Eddie Palmer, a middleweight of that locality. Contracts are already in the hands of Mr. Knox, who will accompany Hannibal. They will be signed in a few days and forwarded to the New Orleans club.

It goes without saying that the outlook for the New Orleans club is bright. It is the most promising organization in the South if not in the whole country. The managers are prominent and popular, qualities which make for success in most everything. The locality is also in favor of success. If bouts of class are put on at proper intervals the success will be lasting.

I think Hannibal is fortunate in securing so genial a manager as Mr. Knox to look after his end of the affair. The club men will find him a princely good fellow, who knows the game from A to Z.

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CINCINNATI, Sept. 15.—Jack Curley, who pulled off the Johnson-Flynn glove contest for the heavyweight championship at Las Vegas, N. M., is now interested in a proposition to bring Jack Johnson back to America for a fight with Jess Willard at New Orleans. If the contest is pulled off at New Orleans, it will go twenty rounds for a decision, and will be a real champinoship contest. Willard's backers have posted $10,000 with Bob Vernon, in New York, to bind the match. Curley offers to give Johnson $30,000 for his share of the purse, and also make him a side bet up to $15,000. Willard's backers further agree to let the $10,000 forfeit go to Johnson if they fail to provide a suitable battleground within a reasonable space oftime. Curley states that Johnson will have to meet Willard or forfeit his claim to the world's championship. Willard's backers are Larry Weber, Harry Frazee, Tom Jones and Jack Curley.

It's all right to talk about matching up Johnson to fight on the American soil. In my opinion he will never do it until he can see his way clear to escape his legal entanglement. He would not care so much for the forfeitures; he could readily regain the loss. But he does not want to be imprisoned—and for nothing. Fiendish minded white men would gloat over his incarceration as a miser gloats over his gold—such is their unspeakably deep seated animosity.

If Johnson retains his wits he will keep on staying right where he is, in Europe, somewhere. There is no getting around the fact that he was to be dealt a deadly blow, and not any more because of what he was accused than to strike at the whole Negro outfit of the country because it rejoiced at Johnson's victory. Such scoundrelism is unparalleled in the history of the world. Johnson, in going to Paris, has saved the Negroes the deep humiliation that would have followed his imprisonment. There are Negroes, many of them, who do not know that Johnson has been a martyr to his people. They laugh and sneer about the hard times he made because he married a white woman, when a man's a man for all a' that. No one man, excepting Abraham Lincoln, has done so much for the Negroes of the world as Jack Johnson. Do you get me?

## IN SPORTING CIRCLES.

Wickware is considered one of the best colored pitchers in the country. He has held the Cuban Stars to two hits, the Brooklyn Royals to three hits and the A. B. C.'s hitless.

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DUBUQUE, Ia.—Stanley Klosky, Cuba City's fighting miner, won a popular decision in his ten-round bout at Plattsville, Wis., September 18, with Art Nelson, Sparta battler.

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MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Ad Wolgast and Joe Mandot fought ten rounds to a draw Sept. 18. Mandot was the aggressor throughout but Wolgast's superior defense saved him from less than a draw.

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James Bluejacket, pitching for the Brooklyn Federals, got credit the other day for beating Pittsburg, although he did not pitch a ball.

Bluejacket went in as a relief hurler in the ninth inning with his team behind. There were two out. Yerkes was on first base. Bluejacket threw to first and caught Yerkes out and retiring the side. His own team went to bat and pounded out a victory. Bluejacket must, under the rules, be credited with winning the game, as he went in when his club was behind in the score.

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WEST BADEN.—The West Baden Sprudels gave the Louisville White Sox a good trimming here Sept. 18 in the second of a three-game series. Score:

White Sox .0 0 0 0 3 1 1 0 0—5 9 3
Sprudels ..1 0 5 0 0 1 1 0 *—8 12 6

Batteries—(White Sox), Bucker and White; (Sprudels, Miller) and Cobb.

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The A. B. C.'s made it three out of five from the Brooklyn Royals, winning again Thursday of last week at Northwestern park, 8 to 0. B. Taylor held the eastern team safe at all times. The features of the game were the home runs by J. Taylor, Gordon and Hutchinson in the eighth inning.

Brooklyn .......0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
A. B. C.........0 0 1 0 2 2 0 3 *—8

Batteries—Dismukes and Thomas; B. Taylor and Powell.

## MT. VERNON, IND.

### The Mt. Vernon (Ind.) Giants in a 13 Inning Game—A Tie with the Mt. Vernon Monarchs.

The Mt. Vernon Giants, a crack colored team of this city, and the Mt. Vernon Monarchs, a white team, crossed bats Sunday at the city park, the first time in a series of three games for the city championship. Both teams played league ball after the fifth inning. Jimmie Runyon, the once star pitcher for Louisville, Ky., relieved J. Chism in the fourth inning and worked like a prince until the 13th inning, when the game was called on account of darkness, at which time the score being tie, 12 to 12. Quite a large crowd witnessed the game. The same two teams play again next Sunday at the city park, and a large crowd is expected. The same lineup of the two teams will be used again next Sunday. Lineup of the Giants: Owen Harris, 1b; Carl Offett, 2b; James Cadllic, ss; Floyd Booker, 3b; John Chism, rf; Abraham White, cf; Clyde Johnson (Capt.) lf; Esley Caldwell, c; Jimmie Runyon, p.

## THE EAST ST. LOUIS GIANTS DEFEAT NEBRASKA INDIANS.

The East St. Louis Giants defeated the Nebraska Indians in a 14-inning game in East St. Louis, Ill., Sept. 13. The game was full of exciting plays on both sides. Smith, the coal miner, had all the best of the pitcher's duel while Schaeffer, on the receiving end, cut down base stealers with ease. The Giants easily have the greatest team in Southern Illinois.

Magee, Smith and Trady do great batting, while Schaeffer laid down the perfect bunts that caused the scoring.

Indans ...0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0
Giants ....0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1

Batteries—Big Chief and Gray Hound; Smith and Schaeffer.

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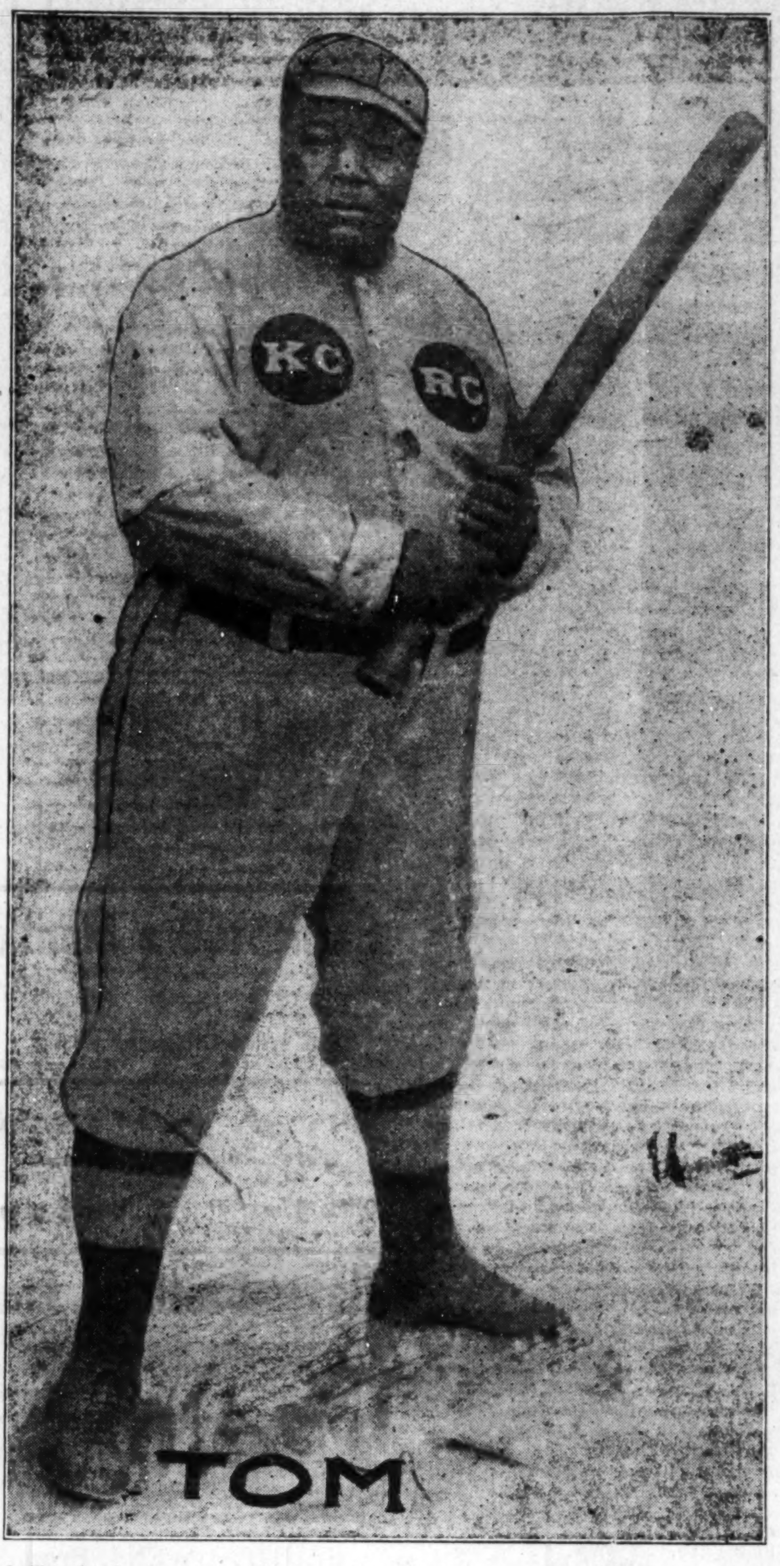
## THOMAS STIRMAN, THE LARGEST AND FASTEST COLORED MAN IN BASEBALL.

MARION, O.—In regard to Tom Stirman, the largest and fastest big colored man in baseball today of Kansas City, Mo. He has played with all of the best colored ball players in the business and he came up on the lots with such men as Joseph Tinker, Zack Wheat, also Stengel, of Brooklyn; also Johnny Kling, one of the world's best catchers today, also Inan Olson, a great drawing card at home and abroad, also helped bring up the great pitcher who lately dier, Bill Lindsay. He is now playing ball in the Marion County City League, Marion. Ohio ise leading the league in hitting. The team he is on is a mixed one, three colored and eight white. He is playing left field. He is hitting the ball hard as usual. He has had an offer to manage a team in the city league next season. The league consists of six clubs, all white except three. He would like to hear from all of his old



of Cleveland American league. He played on every first class Negro ball team of Kansas City, Mo., such as the Jenkins Piano Co. team, the Bradbury Piano Co. team, the Kansas City, Kan. Giants. Was on this team during the season of 1909, when the K. of P. encampment was in Kansas City, Mo., when they defeated Rube Foster's Leland Giants for the colored championship of America. Since this time he has been on the Royal Giants of Kansas City, Mo., and has always been friends on the American Giants, French Lick Plutos, Royal Giants of Brooklyn, Chicago Giants, Union Giants of Chicago and all friends from the good old town, Kansas City, Mo. In regard to the death of Bill Lindsay it is a great blow to him and hopes the family of Lindsays will receive his greatest sympathy in regard to the death of the great Bill. All letters will reach him at Marion, Ohio, general delivery. Would like to hear from all friends.

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## UNFAIR PLAY ROBBED JAKE KILRAIN OF WORLD'S TITLE.

Commenting on the life and battles of Jake Kilrain, a writer in the Press of New York City, says:

"Had Jake Kilrain received fair play when he fought Jem Smith, champion of England, on Isle St. Pierre, France, December 19, 1887, he might have returned to America with the world's heavyweight championship in his possession.

"Another gratifying result might have been the ability of John L. Sullivan to annex the world's title, as two years after the Smith-Kilrain battle in France Sullivan divested Kilrain of any and all titles he held, and the world's championship was not in the collection.

"Unfortunately for Kilrain and Sullivan, the American did not get fair play in his contest with Smith. On the contrary, he was the victim of outrageous unfairness, for after having the better of the fighting he was beaten with sticks by English thugs at the ringside and prevented from winning on his merits. Owing to the tactics of the Smith heelers the battle dragged along till darkness set in, 106 rounds having been contested in two hours and thirty-one minutes.

"Had Kilrain insisted on a resumption of the battle and beaten Smith the American would have been the world's heavyweight champion of England at the time and Kilrain was technically the heavyweight of America.

### Kilrain Went After Sullivan.

"In June, 1887, Kilrain challenged Sullivan to fight for the championship of America, and posted $1,000 with the New York Clipper. Sullivan ignored the challenge, and under the custom of those days forfeited the title.

"Kilrain was, therefore, the heavyweight champion of America from June, 1887, until July 8, 1889, when he was beaten by Sullivan at Richburg, Miss.

"It can be seen, therefore, that John L. Sullivan had a narrow escape from becoming the heavyweight champion of the world, not through his own efforts, but by reason of the enterprise of Kilrain in going to England when he was technically the American champion and meeting the British title holder in the ring.

"As soon as Kilrain went to England Sullivan hurried across the pond and got some cheap notoriety by challenging Smith at a time when the Englishman was in strict training for his bout with Kilrain for the world's championship.

"Poor a fighter as Kilrain was, he was a much better man than Paddy Ryan, from whom Sullivan won the American title.

"Kilrain's status as a fighter can be readily gauged by the result of his battle with Smith, who was a deplorably poor third-rater. Peter Jackson made Smith jump over the ropes in the second round in 1889, and Smith was also decisively beaten by Frank Slavin, who, like Kilrain, was mobbed by the Smith heelers.

### Jake Lacked Kayo Wallop.

"In the case of Kilrain, although he was in the ring two and a half hours with Smith and scored first blood and first knockdown, he lacked the punch to stop his man before darkness set in and ended the battle.

"On Sullivan's return to America he challenged Kilrain to fight for $10,000 and the world's championship, and the proposal was accepted. At the same time the world's title was not at stake, as Smith was still champion of England and Kilrain champion of America only.

"The battle between Sullivan and Kilrain was a ludicrous affair, and would have brought derisive smiles to the faces of many of the lesser white hopes of today.

"Kilrain was white with fear before the fight began and made a pitiable showing, falling to the ground in nearly every round without being hit. Then, in the forty-fourth round, Sullivan became ill, and if Kilrain had possessed an ounce of fighting energy he could have beaten the Bostonian then and there. But Kilrain was still shaking with fear, and instead of rushing Sullivan, who was badly upset physically, Kilrain with trembling lips inquired if the Bostonian wanted to make the battle a draw.

"Sullivan, realizing that Kilrain did not have grit enough to whip a white rabbit, refused, and the farce proceeded until the end of the seventy-fifth round, when Kilrain quit and his seconds tossed in the sponge.

"That is the story of Sullivan's 'glorious' victory over the third-rater, Jake Kilrain.

### Corbett Showed Kilrain Up.

"A bout which emphasized Kilrain's lack of class was the six-round affair he fought with Jim Corbett at New Orleans, La., February 14, 1890. Corbet had been forging to the front raply, and Kilrain, with the boastfulness that characterized the bare-knuckle men, stipulated to knock out Corbett in six rounds with gloves, a purse of $3,500 being offered for the fighters.

"Not only did Kilrain fail to knock out Corbett, but the veteran never landed an effective punch in the six rounds. On the other hand, Corbett hit Kilrain when and where he pleased, and beat him on points by 1,000 to 0.

"Additional evidence of Kilrain's lack of class was furnished when he faced Frank Slavin at the Granite Club, Hoboken, June 16, 1891. Slavin put Kilrain to sleep in nine rounds.

"Kilrain never beat any men of his class. Perhaps the best boxer he vanquished was the aged negro, George Godfrey, and it took the white man, who scaled 200 pounds, forty-three rounds to dispose of the black, who weighed 175.

"John Joseph Killion was Kilrain's real name, and he achieved some fame as an oarsman. Although a professional boxer, he 'rung' in as an amateur oarsman and won the junior singles at the regatta of the N. A. A. O., held at Newark in 1883. President Garfield of the N. A. A. O. got on Kilrain's trail and ended his career as an amateur oarsman. Kilrain then devoted all his time to boxing and had considerable success with mediocre opponents."

## DIRECTUM GOES 1:54 3-4 MILE.

Detroit.—Directum I. paced an unusual mile in 1:58 3-4 Sept. 18 in a trial against his record of 2:00, as an exhibition in connection with the State fair races. Driven by Ray Snedecker and accompanied by Tom Murphy, the chestnut stallion paced he first quarter in :30, the half in 1:01, the three-quarters in 1:30, and the last quarter in :28 3-4, making the mile in 1:58 3-4, next to Minor Heir's mark of 1:58 1-2.

Lord Dewey, in another exhibition, failed to beat his trotting mark cf 2:03 3-4. He made the distance in 2:04 1-4.

Besides the exhibitions, three races were on the program. Brighton B. won the last three heats and the race in the 2:12 trot after Bertha Cary had taken the first two heats. Martha Bellini was an easy winner in the 2:10 trot and King Couchman won the $5,000 pace after it had gone five heats. Summaries:

2:10 trot; three in five; purse, $1,050—Marta Bellini won; Vanity Oro, second; The Wanderer, third. Best time, 2:07.

2:11 pace; three in five; stake, $5,000—King Couchman won; Camelia, sec; Reel Direct, third. Best time, 2:04 1-4.

2:12 trot; three in five; purse, $1,050—Brighton B. won; Bertha Cary, second; Fair Virginian, third. Best time, 2:08 1-4.

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## CITY AND VICINITY.

### LOCAL.

Mr. Charles U. Lewis of Terre Haute, Ind., was in the city Sunday, the guest of Miss Viola Daniels.

Mr. W. W. Pearson, a member of the faculty of Langston University, left last week for Langston, Okla.

Mr. Bennie Blackmore and Miss Grace McCoy left Thursday for a visit through Ohio in a large touring car.

Mrs. Clarence Dupee entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of Mrs. M. S. Reid, of Knoxville, Tenn. Covers were laid for eight.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Daniels of Wabash, Ind., spent Sunday with their daughters, Mrs. Ada Cebolt and Miss Viola Daniels.

Mrs. Josephine Combs entertained with a reception in honor of her sister, Mrs. M. S. Reid, of Knoxville, Tenn., Friday, September 12.

Mrs. M. S. Reid left for her home in Knoxville, Tenn., last Saturday after a few weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Josephine Combs, 2727 North Capitol avenue.

Mr. White entertained at dinner on Saturday at the Y. M. C. A. Mrs. W. M. Culpber of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Mrs. Frank Coleman of New Orleans, Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Whitney entertained the latter's sister, Mrs. W. M. Culpber, of Grand Rapids, Mich., on Tuesday at a 3 o'clock dinner. Covers were laid for ten.

Mrs. Morris Green and Miss Lexia Bingham of Toledo, O., returned this morning after a pleasant visit with their brother, Mr. Lucian Bingham, of 1127 Fayette street.

Mrs. Oscar C. Carter has joined her husband, Mr. Oscar Carter, here in this city after a recent visit in Chicago, where she was the guest of Mrs. Carter's sister.

Mrs. W. M. Culpber of Grand Rapids, Mich., formerly Miss Hattie Bynam, has been spending a week at her sister's home, Mrs. Irene Moores, 420 Lafayette Place.

Mrs. D. H. Green of Birmingham, Ala., was a visitor in this city this week and while in the city paid her respects to The Freeman office. Mrs. Green was enroute to her home.

Miss S. A. B. Smith of Bowling Green, Ky., was a visitor at The Freeman office this week. Miss Smith has been in the city some time as a guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles Woods.

Julius L. Morgan of Dayton, O., was in the city a few days on business. He was the guest of Irvin Armstrong, 1129 North Senate avenue. Mr. Morgan left the city Saturday enroute to Purdue university.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coleman entertained in honor of Mrs. W. M. Culpber of Grand Rapids, Mich., Wednesday evening. Covers were laid for sixteen at 440 West Michigan street. The evening was spent in cards and music.

Mesdames Ethel Bradshaw Cornelius of Pasadena, Cal., and Edna McFall of Cleveland, O., are the guests of Mrs. William Hampton on West Eleventh street. Mrs. Hampton and Mrs. Cornelius departed last Saturday for Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Alexandria of 2010 Yandes street entertained at dinner Monday Mrs. W. M. Culpler of Grand Rapids, Mich. Covers were laid for twelve. The afternoon was spent playing games and enjoying music. Astors and cosmos were used.

Mrs. Sophia Parker gave a reception last Thursday evening at her home on North West street in honor of Mrs. Cora Buster and daughter Carrie of Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Pearl Richardson of Bay City, Mich., Mrs. Sadie Madison of Chicago and Mrs. Cora Wheeler of Louisville, Ky. Seventy-five guests were present.

The Azalia Whist Club waere the guests of Mrs. Silas Priestly last Thursday afternoon at her home on North California street. The guest of honor prize was won by Mrs. Clarence Settles. Mrs. Dove Smith and Miss Ruth Guthrie were the winners for the club. Thirty persons were present. Refreshments were served.

A complimentary luncheon was tendered the supporters of the colored Y. M. C. A. at the building Tuesday evening. The association was host. The department of physical culture will open Monday evening, Sept. 28. The Bible work will open with a rally Sunday, Sept. 27. In the educational department many new courses will be added. Following a special program, which will be rendered on the evening of Oct. 5, the night school will begin its work.

The Sew and Sew Embroidery Club met at the residence of Mrs. Callie Banks on East Eleventh street at 2 p. m. on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 19. Quite an enjoyable afternoon was spent doing embroidery work. Some of the work was very beautiful. The following members were present: Mrs. May Fawcett, Anna Fawcett, Narcissa Jones, A. M. Gentry, Irma Hollingsworth, Mattie Marshall, Emma White, Callie Banks and Miss E. Jones. One visitor, Georgia Hollingsworth, was also present. Light refreshments were served by the hostess. The club adjourned to meet October 3 at the residence of Mrs. A. Fawcett. The president is Mrs. M. Fawcett, and the secretary Ethyl Jones.

One of the largest audiences ever assembled in Simpson Chapel heard Bishop I. B. Scott of Nashville, Tenn., now resident bishop of the M. E. Church in Liberia, Africa, last Sunday evening. Bishop Scott lectured at the same church again on Wednesday evening to a crowded house. In both addresses the speaker described the conditions of the people and the efforts being made in the interest of civilization. He made a plea for the sympathy and help of the American people. On Tuesday evening a free-will offering of $40 was made. Bishop Scott also addressed an audience of missionary workers on Sunday afternoon at the College of Missions. During his visit here he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. V. Hill on Martindale avenue.

## SPIRITUALIST.

At Madam Meadows' Spiritualist Church, which is held every Monday night at 514 Fulton street, she gave sixty-seven messages to an enormous crowd of both white and colored people, and every one of the most intelligent crowd seemed to be very well pleased at her meeting and her wonderful gift. All are welcome to her meetings.

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## Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The subscribers to the building fund and contributors to the maintenance fund of the association were the guests of the association at a banquet Tuesday evening. Quite an elaborate dinner was served, after which the following toasts were responded to:

"Our Association," by the department chairmen, including Messrs. Hodge, Brown, Ward, Howard, Saundres and Perkins; "Our Association as the Pastor Sees It," Rev. G. W. Ward, pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church; "Our Association as an Educator Sees It," W. R. Valentine, supervising principal colored schools; "Our Association as the Business Man Sees It," E. G. Tidrington, president Pythian Savings and Loan Association; "Our Association as Others See It," A. H. Godard, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. George L. Knox was toastmaster and filled the position with much credit. Music was furnished by the Y. M. C. A. band.

Mr. R. L. Brokenburr, chairman of the religious work committee, has arranged an interesting program for Sunday, Sept. 17. Some of the speakers for the occasion will be Rev. Dr. A. H. Maloney, Rev. W. H. Weaver, Rev. J. C. Brice and Mr. T. B. Ransom. The meeting starts at 3 p. m., and all men are cordially invited.

The physical department committee has charge of the program for Monday evening, Sept. 28, and has planned to entertain the many visitors expected that evening. Some of the features will be marching, calisthenic drills, apparatus work, obstacle races and swimming events. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights the programs will be in charge of the religious, educational, boys' and social committees, respectively. Ladies are invited to witness Friday night's program only.

The boys' gymnasium classes were opened Tuesday afternoon with a large attendance. Everybody was enthusiastic, evincing a desire to make this year's work count for much.

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What it takes to make our people patronize one another—The Freeman has it every week for its readers. Will you do your part? .. Don't stop to look back at that Mr. or Mrs. Important, who are daily trying to be white to all the other races and have quit speaking, but simply bowing and raising their hands as they pass you each day. They can work down to you, but it takes time for you who are in the humbler walks of life to work up to them. However, it's worth the price. So keep after them daily. .. We have had several preachers, teachers, performers and other professional deadbeats to deal with here of late. They repeatedly stood off their creditors, and I hereby serve warning that unless these bills are paid we will publish their names soon. .. Mr. Bosier and Perkins C. Gains, with others, were in attendance at the State gun shoot held in Ft. Worth last week and several high scores were made by some of the crack shooters of Texas. All in all, they enjoyed being there. .. It is now time for the colored men to line up for the coming fall and spring elections if they ever expect to stand up as a body of voters should do and ask for something to do in the municipal government of affairs in the city of Dallas besides just voting. See what the Irish, Jews, Dagos, Bohemians and other nationalities are doing. Right here in dear old Dallas every day and Sunday, too, they are getting theirs and will continue to do so, while Mr. Colored Man sits by and talks himself to death to put this or that man in office, and gets his little handout at the back door or in some barn, as has been the case here too often to mention. The colored people of Dallas should wake up. Colored voters, look at your streets, lights and water and other necessities that are needed in your district. How are you to have them? Look at the schools your race has to attend. Who is to blame but the colored voters. Let the colored voters and taxpayers get together and do something beside making a farce comedy sideshow of the efforts of those who are seeking office. Let your vote be for the betterment of present conditions, so that some colored men will have a chance to help clean the streets or be in the sanitary or water or fire or police departments or something that will show a few colored men are working for the city besides two janitors and those who are made prisoners and must work out their fines. .. It's pay time. Have the change ready and keep reading The Freeman every week. .. Mr. and Mrs. Collins Baker, of Ft. Worth, were here on business last week. .. St. Luke, Pride of the West and Mantone K. of P. Lodges held a joint celebration last Thursday night in their hall, at which time a class of new members were initiated into the mysteries of Pythianism. Each lodge roll will show a number of braves who had fallen by the wayside and are returning to the order. They are causing new life to begin to flow into the K. of P. lodges of Dallas. The uniform department has selected new quarters and it is the wish of the staff officers to see new life and business principles injected. Let it be the watchword of the various companies of Dallas and the State to have every Pythian and Court of Calantha do their full duty toward encouraging the rank men on to success. .. Alexander & Williams are the men who run the Chautauqua Cafe, corner of Central and San Jacinto streets. They ask that you call and see them and eat or drink with them. .. Mr. Frank Mullin enjoyed a visit to Ft. Worth on his crutches. He returned by way of Arlington. .. The famous Black and Tans are at home from a season of playing at Mineral Wells health resort. Sunday a large number of Dallasites journeyed there to see the sights, visit friends and enjoy the day in mountain climbing and drinking the various waters. .. The new dress that The Freeman put on last Saturday has been highly complimented by the patrons here, old and young. May she wear it long and well and may it continue to fit in the various places of business, home and other things of usefulness to the people over this broad land. .. Mr. Soncombs, once a great entertainer, passed away at the home of his sisters last Tuesday after an illness of some duration. He leaves a wife and three sisters and other relatives and friends to mourn his demise. .. Mrs. Mary Jones, of this city, is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. Snell, in Kansas City. .. Mrs. Martha Liscomb, who has been ill for over fifteen months, recently went to Temple for recuperation and has returned home looking fine. While there she was the guest of relatives and friends. .. The remains of Mr. Ike Johnson, who was drowned at Reece, Texas, last week, were brought here by the People's Undertaking Co. of this city, and were laid in state at the residence of his brother, Mr. Columbus Johnson, 2011 East Cadiz street. They were afterwards shipped to Pittsburgh for burial in the family lot there. The remains were accompanied by his mother and his two brothers, Columbus and Bishop. Several beautiful floral pieces were presented by sorrowing friends of the family of both races. A large number of friends mourn with the family in these their sad and dreary hours. It was just a few weeks ago that a message from Canada informed the family of the death of their sister. Thy will be done, O Lord. .. Mrs. R. Chambers, of Terrill, visited her husband here and returned home. .. Mr. Henry Fuller, of Kansas City, were here shaking hands with Dallas friends. .. The Ladies' Bucket Brigade of Fire Fighters saved the residence of Mrs. H. Davis, 3207 Flora street, one day last week before the fire department arrived. .. Since Mrs. C. Bracken had the piece of glass removed from her eye she is doing nicely and is on the road to recovery. .. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fields, of Sherman, have permanently located in the city of Dallas and call it home. .. King Cotton has caused "For Rent" signs to be tacked upon several hundred makeshift houses that ought to be torn down. .. The colored county school teachers held their three days' sessions in the city high school building the last week. Several interesting subjects were ably discussed before them each day. .. Mrs. Isaiah Curtis is the genial pastboard ticket seller at the box office of the Star Theater, who never becomes rattled at big crowds at that place. ... St. James A. M. E. Church had quite a financial success in their last quarterly meeting, with just a handful of loyal supporters and workers, so the reporter was informed by Mesdames Mills and Valks, last Saturday...How do our colored business men, who are engaged in the various lines of business, ever expect to make a success and do no advertising? .. If you have lost anything, just ask Mr. Joe Winn, at the Star Theater. He can tell you something about it. If it's magic, he's got 'em, boy, sure. .. Mrs. G. A. Hall, the lady who cares for the young and tender minds, has recently started her kindergarten under the control of the Mothers' Board of this city, and every mother and father should be proud of it. .. Mrs. H. B. Kenon, the sister of Mrs. D. V. Hooper, is here from Selma, Ala., for her health. .. Mr. R. H. Trotter, Jr., and Oram Thompson, of Dallas, two sophomores, are matriculating at Fisk. .. Mrs. Elsa Jackson, of Ennis, visited her sister, Mrs. Hattie Crockett, 3700 Bryan street, on last Sunday and returned to her home. .. If you can't pay, don't promise; it gets you and others in bad. .. The past week's vaudeville at the Star has been cleverly handed out to the patrons and shows some class to each performer taking a part in the acts. .. Messrs. W. L. and L. W. Williams are ready at the Cozy Cafe, corner of Flora and Fairmount streets. It's the Turner Hotel. Everything new. It's sure to please you. If you come to Dallas, stop there. All the hack and auto drivers know it is the best and will tell you so. .. Mrs. Granville Lacy and baby, Mrs. Mamie Jackson and Mrs. Alice Posey had a nice auto drive on last Sunday morning on the Greenville road. .. If you do something that is good these columns will tell it to the public.

## NEWS OF PORTSMOUTH, O.

Special to The Freeman.

Miss Almeta Byrd is some better after a week of illness. .. Mr. James Health and Miss Stella Williams will spend ten days with his mother at Bristol, Tenn. .. Mrs. Mary Sloan is helping Mrs. Mark Selby for a few days. .. Mr. Joe Dill is still improving and feels better and is able to be out. .. Mr. and Mrs. George Lash will visit his mother at Walnut Cove and then go to Norfolk, Algora and Winston, N. C. .. Mr. and Mrs. John Harriston will spend a few days in Cincinnati. .. Mr. Paul Melvian and Miss Hazel Slade will be married the last of this month. They will go to housekeeping on Waller street. .. Mr. Sherman Johnson, one of the finest young men of the state, returned Saturday from Cincinnati, where he was one of the mail clerks running from there to Detroit. .. Mr. Arthur Perry, the leading barber of the Waller street shop, is trying to look wise because little Charles Arthur Berry, who is eight months old, can say da, da. .. Mrs. John Austin, has been very ill, but is not much better. .. Mrs. Delilah Georgia, the oldest colored lady in the city, has been very ill. She is seventy-five years old. .. Mrs. Nettie Freeman of Zanesville is visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Shepard Kerns, of Tenth street. .. Mrs. Mary Housnot and children of Chicago are visiting her mother, Mrs. Harris. .. Mrs. Nettie Dill, one of the faithful workers of the A. M. E. church, has gone to work at the university at Columbus. .. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Randall's daughter Helen has been very ill for the last week, but is some better now. .. Mrs. Haygood of Alabama and Mrs. Jones and son from Chicago are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Kane Fossett of Tenth street. .. Mr. and Mrs. James Williams of 66 E. Swan street, Columbus, went from this city to tour the northern part of the state. .. Mr. Fred Clark, of Cleveland, will spend a week here visiting with friends. .. Mr. Albert Ferguson has been on the sick list, but is some better. .. The shower on the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Mason, better known as Mr. Frank Mason and Miss Vanoria Nash, was a grand success and many valuable presents were received. Mrs. Robert Nash had one of the best cooks in the city to prepare a fine two-course luncheon. Those present were Mrs. Anna Bell Goins, Miss Lula Turner, Mrs. Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Johnson, Mrs. Daisy White,, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace White, Miss Zella White, Rev. and Mrs. Newsom and family, Mrs. Jesse Hollingsworth and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Payne, Miss Janie Ward, Mrs. Mae Fossett, Mr. and Mrs. Kane Fossett and daughter, Mr. Oscar Bibbs, Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf, Miss Annie Mae Black, Prof. Gentry, Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Maynoid, Mrs. Bryant, Mrs. Narcissa Jones, Mr. Henry Johnson, Miss Pearl Anderson and Mr. John Slade. .. The meetings at the A. M. E. church last week were the closing services of the year. Rev. Mr. Newsome went away Tuesday and his many friends would like to have him returned. Rev. Chapman and Rev. McCommer assisted him.

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